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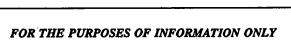
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The present invention relates to isolated nucleic acid constructs containing a sequence encoding a Polyporus laccase, and the laccase proteins encoded thereby.





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PURIFIED POLYPORUS LACCASES AND NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING SAME

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Field of the Invention

The present invention relates to isolated nucleic acid fragments encoding a fungal oxidoreductase enzyme and the purified enzymes produced thereby. More particularly, the invention relates to nucleic acid fragments encoding a phenol oxidase, specifically a laccase, of a basidiomycete, *Polyporus*.

15 Background of the Invention

Laccases (benzenediol:oxygen oxidoreductases) are multi-copper-containing enzymes that catalyze the oxidation of phenolics. Laccase-mediated oxidations result in the production of aryloxy-radical intermediates from suitable 20 phenolic substrate; the ultimate coupling of the intermediates so produced provides a combination of dimeric, oligomeric, and polymeric reaction products. Such reactions are important in nature in biosynthetic pathways which lead to the formation of melanin, alkaloids, toxins, lignins, and 25 humic acids. Laccases are produced by a wide variety of fungi, including ascomycetes such as Aspergillus, Neurospora, and Podospora, the deuteromycete Botrytis, and basidiomycetes such as Collybia, Fomes, Lentinus, Pleurotus, Trametes, Polyporus and perfect forms of Rhizoctonia. 30 Laccases exhibit a wide range of substrate specificity, and each different fungal laccase usually differs only quantitatively from others in its ability to oxidize phenolic substrates. Because of the substrate diversity, laccases generally have found many potential industrial

applications. Among these are lignin modification, paper strengthening, dye transfer inhibition in detergents, phenol polymerization, juice manufacture, phenol resin production, and waste water treatment.

5 Although the catalytic capabilities are similar, laccases made by different fungal species do have different temperature and pH optima, and these may also differ depending on the specific substrate. A number of these fungal laccases have been isolated, and the genes for 10 several of these have been cloned. For example, Choi et al. (Mol. Plant-Microbe Interactions 5: 119-128, 1992) describe the molecular characterization and cloning of the gene encoding the laccase of the chestnut blight fungus, Cryphonectria parasitica. Kojima et al. (J. Biol. Chem. 15 <u>265</u>: 15224-15230, 1990; JP 2-238885) provide a description of two allelic forms of the laccase of the white-rot basidiomycete Coriolus hirsutus. Germann and Lerch (Experientia <u>41</u>: 801,1985; PNAS USA <u>83</u>: 8854-8858, 1986) have reported the cloning and partial sequencing of the

20 Neurospora crassa laccase gene. Saloheimo et al.(J. Gen. Microbiol. 137: 1537-1544, 1985; WO 92/01046) have disclosed a structural analysis of the laccase gene from the fungus Phlebia radiata.

Attempts to express laccase genes in heterologous

fungal systems frequently give very low yields (Kojima et al., supra; Saloheimo et al., Bio/Technol. 9: 987-990,

1991). For example, heterologous expression of Phlebia radiata laccase in Trichoderma reesei gave only 20 mg per liter of active enzyme in lab-scale fermentation (Saloheimo, 1991, supra). Although laccases have great commercial

potential, the ability to express the enzyme in significant quantities is critical to their commercial utility.

Previous attempts to express basidiomycete laccases in recombinant hosts have resulted in very low yields. The

present invention now provides novel basidiomycete laccases which are well expressed in Aspergillus.

Summary of the Invention

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The present invention relates to a DNA construct containing a nucleic acid sequence encoding a Polyporus The invention also relates to an isolated laccase encoded by the nucleic acid sequence. Preferably, the laccase is substantially pure. By "substantially pure" is 10 meant a laccase which is essentially (i.e.,≥90%) free of other non-laccase proteins.

In order to facilitate production of the novel laccase, the invention also provides vectors and host cells comprising the claimed nucleic acid sequence, which vectors 15 and host cells are useful in recombinant production of the laccase. The sequence is operably linked to transcription and translation signals capable of directing expression of the laccase protein in the host cell of choice. A preferred host cell is a fungal cell, most preferably of the genus 20 Aspergillus. Recombinant production of the laccase of the invention is achieved by culturing a host cell transformed or transfected with the construct of the invention, or progeny thereof, under conditions suitable for expression of the laccase protein, and recovering the laccase protein from 25 the culture.

The laccases of the present invention are useful in a number of industrial processes in which oxidation of phenolics is required. These processes include lignin manipulation, juice manufacture, phenol polymerization and 30 phenol resin production.

Brief Description of the Figures

Figure 1 shows the DNA sequence and translation of genomic clone 21GEN, containing LCC1 (SEQ ID NO. 1)

Figure 2 shows the DNA sequence and translation of genomic clone 23GEN, containing LCC2 (SEQ ID NO. 3)

Figure 3 shows the DNA sequence and translation of genomic clone 24GEN, containing LCC3 (SEQ ID NO. 5)

Figure 4 shows the DNA sequence and translation of genomic clone 31GEN, containing LCC4 (SEQ ID NO. 7)

Figure 5 shows the DNA sequence and translation of genomic clone 41GEN, containing LCC5 (SEQ ID NO. 9)

Figure 6 shows the structure of vector pMWR1

Figure 7 shows the structure of vector pDSY1

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Figure 8 shows the structure of vector pDSY10

Figure 9 shows the pH profile of the laccase produced by pDSY2; (A) syringaldazine oxidation; (B) ABTS oxidation.

Figure 10 illustrates a comparison of the use of laccase vs. H_2O_2 , with various dye precursors, in hair dyeing, as a measurement of DL*.

Figure 11 illustrates a comparison of the use of laccase vs. H_2O_2 , with various dye precursors, in hair dyeing, as a measurement of Da*.

Figure 12 illustrates a comparison of the use of laccase vs. H_2O_2 , with various dye precursors and modifiers, in hair dyeing, as a measurement of DL*.

Figure 13 illustrates a comparison of the wash stability of hair dyed with laccase vs. $\rm H_2O_2\,.$

Figure 14 illustrates the light fastness of hair dyed with laccase vs. H_2O_2 .

Detailed Description of the Invention

Polyporus pinsitus is a basidiomycete, also referred to as Trametes villosa. Polyporus species have previously been identified as laccase producers (Fahraeus and Lindeberg, Physiol. Plant. 6: 150-158, 1953). However, there has been no previous description of a purified laccase from Polyporus pinsitus. It has now been determined that Polyporus

pinsitus produces at least two different laccases, and the genes encoding these laccases can be used to produce relatively large yields of the enzyme in convenient host systems such as Aspergillus. In addition, three other genes which appear to code for laccases have also been isolated.

Initial screenings of a variety of fungal strains indicate that Polyporus pinisitus is a laccase producer. The production of laccase by P. pinsitus is induced by 2,5xylidine. Attempts are first initiated to isolate the 10 laccase from the supernatant of the induced strains. exchange chromatography identifies an approximately 65 kD(on SDS-PAGE) protein which exhibits laccase activity. enzyme is purified sufficiently to provide several internal peptide sequences, as well as an N-terminal sequence. 15 initial sequence information indicates the laccase has significant homology to that of Coriolus hirsutus, as well as to an unidentified basidiomycete laccase (Coll et al., Appl. Environ. Microbiol. <u>59</u>: 4129-4135, 1993. Based on the sequence information, PCR primers are designed and PCR 20 carried out on cDNA isolated from P. pinsitus. the expected size is obtained by PCR, and the isolated fragment linked to a cellulase signal sequence is shown to express an active laccase in A. oryzae, but at low levels. One of the PCR fragments is also used as a probe in 25 screening a P. pinsitus cDNA library. In this manner, more than 100 positive clones are identified. The positive clones are characterized and the ends of the longest clones sequenced; none of the clones are found to be full-length.

Further attempts to isolate a full length clone are made.

30 A 5-6 kb BamHI size-selected P. pinsitus genomic library is probed with the most complete cDNA fragment isolated as described above. Initial screening identifies one clone 24GEN(LCC3) having homology to the cDNA, but which is not the cDNA-encoded laccase and also not full length.

Subsequent screening of a 7-8kb BamHI/EcoRi size-selected library indicates the presence of at least two laccases; partial sequencing shows that one, called 21GEN(LCC1), is identical to the original partial cDNA clone isolated, and 5 the second, called 31GEN(LCC4) is a new, previously unidentified laccase. Secondary screenings of an EMBL4 genomic bank with LCC1 as probe identifies a class of clone containing the entire LCC1 insert as well as the 5' and 3' flanking regions. Screening of the EMBL bank with LCC3 10 identifies two additional clones encoding laccases which had not previously been identified, 41GEN(LCC5) and 23GEN(LCC2) and which differed structurally from the other three clones LCC1, LCC3, and LCC4. The nucleic acid and predicted amino acid sequences of each of the laccases is presented in 15 Figures 1-5, and in SEQ ID NOS. 1-10. A comparison of the structural organization of each of the laccases is presented in Table 2. The laccases are generally optimally active at acid pH, between about 4-5.5.

LCC1 is used to create expression vectors, which are in turn used to transform various species of Aspergillus.

Transformation is successful in all species tested, although expression levels are highest in Aspergillus niger. Shake flask cultures are capable of producing 15 or more mg/liter of laccase, and in lab-scale fermentors, yields of over 300mg/liter are observed. This is a significant improvement over laccase levels observed previously with other laccases and other fungal host cells.

According to the invention, a *Polyporus* gene encoding a laccase can be obtained by methods described above, or any alternative methods known in the art, using the information provided herein. The gene can be expressed, in active form, using an expression vector. A useful expression vector contains an element that permits stable integration of the vector into the host cell genome or autonomous replication

of the vector in a host cell independent of the genome of the host cell, and preferably one or more phenotypic markers which permit easy selection of transformed host cells. expression vector may also include control sequences 5 encoding a promoter, ribosome binding site, translation initiation signal, and, optionally, a repressor gene or various activator genes. To permit the secretion of the expressed protein, nucleotides encoding a signal sequence may be inserted prior to the coding sequence of the gene. For 10 expression under the direction of control sequences, a laccase gene to be used according to the invention is operably linked to the control sequences in the proper reading frame. Promoter sequences that can be incorporated into plasmid vectors, and which can direct the transcription 15 of the laccase gene, include but are not limited to the prokaryotic ß-lactamase promoter (Villa-Kamaroff, et al., 1978, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U.S.A. 75:3727-3731) and the tac promoter (DeBoer, et al., 1983, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U.S.A. 80:21-25). Further references can also be found in 20 "Useful proteins from recombinant bacteria" in Scientific American, 1980, 242:74-94; and in Sambrook et al., Molecular Cloning, 1989.

The expression vector carrying the DNA construct of the invention may be any vector which may conveniently be

25 subjected to recombinant DNA procedures, and the choice of vector will typically depend on the host cell into which it is to be introduced. Thus, the vector may be an autonomously replicating vector, i.e. a vector which exists as an extrachromosomal entity, the replication of which is

30 independent of chromosomal replication, e.g. a plasmid, or an extrachromosomal element, minichromosome or an artificial chromosome. Alternatively, the vector may be one which, when introduced into a host cell, is integrated into the host

cell genome and replicated together with the chromosome(s) into which it has been integrated.

In the vector, the laccase DNA sequence should be operably connected to a suitable promoter sequence. The promoter 5 may be any DNA sequence which shows transcriptional activity in the host cell of choice and may be derived from genes encoding proteins either homologous or heterologous to the host cell. Examples of suitable promoters for directing the transcription of the DNA construct of the invention, 10 especially in a bacterial host, are the promoter of the lac operon of E.coli, the Streptomyces coelicolor agarase gene dagA promoters, the promoters of the Bacillus licheniformis α-amylase gene (amyL), the promoters of the Bacillus stearothermophilus maltogenic amylase gene (amyM), the 15 promoters of the Bacillus amyloliquefaciens α -amylase (amyQ), or the promoters of the Bacillus subtilis xylA and In a yeast host, a useful promoter is the eno-1 xylB genes. promoter. For transcription in a fungal host, examples of useful promoters are those derived from the gene encoding A. 20 oryzae TAKA amylase, Rhizomucor miehei aspartic proteinase, A. niger neutral α -amylase, A. niger acid stable α -amylase, A. niger or A. awamori glucoamylase (glaA), Rhizomucor miehei lipase, A. oryzae alkaline protease, A. oryzae triose phosphate isomerase or A. nidulans acetamidase. Preferred 25 are the TAKA-amylase and glaA promoters.

The expression vector of the invention may also comprise a suitable transcription terminator and, in eukaryotes, polyadenylation sequences operably connected to the DNA sequence encoding the laccase of the invention. Termination and polyadenylation sequences may suitably be derived from the same sources as the promoter. The vector may further comprise a DNA sequence enabling the vector to

replicate in the host cell in question. Examples of such sequences are the origins of replication of plasmids pUC19, pACYC177, pUB110, pE194, pAMB1 and pIJ702.

a gene the product of which complements a defect in the host cell, such as the dal genes from B.subtilis or B.li-cheniformis, or one which confers antibiotic resistance such as ampicillin, kanamycin, chloramphenicol or tetracycline resistance. Examples of Aspergillus selection markers include amds, pyrG, argB, niaD, sC, trpC and hygB, a marker giving rise to hygromycin resistance. Preferred for use in an Aspergillus host cell are the amds and pyrG markers of A. nidulans or A. oryzae. A frequently used mammalian marker is the dihydrofolate reductase (DHFR) gene. Furthermore, selection may be accomplished by co-transformation, e.g. as described in WO 91/17243.

It is generally preferred that the expression gives 20 rise to a product which is extracellular. The laccases of the present invention may thus comprise a preregion permitting secretion of the expressed protein into the culture medium. If desirable, this preregion may be native to the laccase of the invention or substituted with a differ-25 ent preregion or signal sequence, conveniently accomplished by substitution of the DNA sequences encoding the respective preregions. For example, the preregion may be derived from a glucoamylase or an amylase gene from an Aspergillus species, an amylase gene from a Bacillus species, a lipase or proteinase gene from Rhizomucor miehei, the gene for the α-factor from Saccharomyces cerevisiae or the calf preprochymosin gene. Particularly preferred, when the host is a fungal cell, is the signal sequence for A. oryzae TAKA amylase, A. niger neutral amylase, the Rhizomucor miehei

aspartic proteinase signal, the Rhizomucor miehei lipase signal, the maltogenic amylase from Bacillus NCIB 11837, B. stearothermophilus \alpha-amylase, or B. licheniformis subtilisin.

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The procedures used to ligate the DNA construct of the invention, the promoter, terminator and other elements, respectively, and to insert them into suitable vectors containing the information necessary for replication, are well known to persons skilled in the art (cf., for instance, 10 Sambrook et al. Molecular Cloning, 1989).

The cell of the invention either comprising a DNA construct or an expression vector of the invention as defined above is advantageously used as a host cell in the 15 recombinant production of a enzyme of the invention. The cell may be transformed with the DNA construct of the invention, conveniently by integrating the DNA construct in the host chromosome. This integration is generally considered to be an advantage as the DNA sequence is more 20 likely to be stably maintained in the cell. Integration of the DNA constructs into the host chromosome may be performed according to conventional methods, e.g. by homologous or heterologous recombination. Alternatively, the cell may be transformed with an expression vector as described above in 25 connection with the different types of host cells.

The host cell may be selected from prokaryotic cells, such as bacterial cells. Examples of suitable bacteria are gram positive bacteria such as Bacillus subtilis, Bacillus licheniformis, Bacillus lentus, Bacillus brevis, Bacillus stearothermophilus, Bacillus alkalophilus, Bacillus amyloliquefaciens, Bacillus coagulans, Bacillus circulans, Bacillus lautus, Bacillus megaterium, Bacillus thuringiensis, or Streptomyces lividans or Streptomyces

murinus, or gram negative bacteria such as *E.coli*. The transformation of the bacteria may for instance be effected by protoplast transformation or by using competent cells in a manner known per se.

5 The host cell may also be a eukaryote, such as mammalian cells, insect cells, plant cells or preferably fungal cells, including yeast and filamentous fungi. example, useful mammalian cells include CHO or COS cells. Α yeast host cell may be selected from a species of 10 Saccharomyces or Schizosaccharomyces, e.g. Saccharomyces cerevisiae. Useful filamentous fungi may be selected from a species of Aspergillus, e.g. Aspergillus oryzae or Aspergillus niger. Alternatively, a strain of a Fusarium species, e.g. F. oxysporum, can be used as a host cell. 15 Fungal cells may be transformed by a process involving protoplast formation and transformation of the protoplasts followed by regeneration of the cell wall in a manner known per se. A suitable procedure for transformation of Aspergillus

host cells is described in EP 238 023. A suitable method of

20 transforming Fusarium species is described by Malardier et

al., 1989.

The present invention thus provides a method of producing a recombinant laccase of the invention, which method comprises cultivating a host cell as described above under conditions conducive to the production of the enzyme and recovering the enzyme from the cells and/or culture medium. The medium used to cultivate the cells may be any conventional medium suitable for growing the host cell in question and obtaining expression of the laccase of the invention. Suitable media are available from commercial suppliers or may be prepared according to published formulae (e.g. in catalogues of the American Type Culture Collection).

In a preferred embodiment, the recombinant production of laccase in culture is achieved in the presence of an excess amount of copper. Although trace metals added to the culture medium typically contain a small amount of copper, 5 experiments conducted in connection with the present invention show that addition of a copper supplement to the medium can increase the yield of active enzyme many-fold. Preferably, the copper is added to the medium in soluble form, preferably in the form of a soluble copper salt, such 10 as copper chloride, copper sulfate, or copper acetate. final concentration of copper in the medium should be in the range of from 0.2-2mM, and preferably in the range of from 0.05-0.5mM. This method can be used in enhancing the yield of any recombinantly produced fungal laccase, as well as 15 other copper-containing enzymes, in particular oxidoreductases.

The resulting enzyme may be recovered from the medium by conventional procedures including separating the cells from the medium by centrifugation or filtration, precipitating the proteinaceous components of the supernatant or filtrate by means of a salt, e.g. ammonium sulphate, followed by purification by a variety of chromatographic procedures, e.g. ion exchange chromatography, gel filtration chromatography, affinity chromatography, or the like.

25 Preferably, the isolated protein is about 90% pure as determined by SDS-PAGE, purity being most important in food, juice or detergent applications.

In a particularly preferred embodiment, the expression of laccase is achieved in a fungal host cell, such as

30 Aspergillus. As described in detail in the following examples, the laccase gene is ligated into a plasmid containing the Aspergillus oryzae TAKA α-amylase promoter, and the Aspergillus nidulans amds selectable marker. Alternatively, the amds may be on a separate plasmid and

used in co-transformation. The plasmid (or plasmids) is used to transform an Aspergillus species host cell, such as A. oryzae or A. niger in accordance with methods described in Yelton et al. (PNAS USA 81: 1470-1474,1984).

It is of particular note that the yields of Polyporus laccase in the present invention, using Aspergillus as host cell are unexpectedly and considerably higher than has previously been reported for expression of other laccases in other host cells. It is expected that the use of

10 Aspergillus as a host cell in production of laccases from other basidiomycetes, such as Coriolus or Trametes, will also produce larger quantities of the enzyme than have been previously obtainable. The present invention therefore also

encompasses the production of such Polyporus-like laccases

15 in Aspergillus recombinant host cells.

Those skilled in the art will recognize that the invention is not limited to use of the nucleic acid fragments specifically disclosed herein, for example, in Figures 1-5. It will also be apparent that the invention 20 encompasses those nucleotide sequences that encode the same amino acid sequences as depicted in Figure 1-5, but which differ from the specifically depicted nucleotide sequences by virtue of the degeneracy of the genetic code. reference to Figures 1-5 in the specification and the claims 25 will be understood to encompass both the genomic sequence depicted therein as well as the corresponding cDNA and RNA sequences, and the phrases "DNA construct" and "nucleic acid sequences" as used herein will be understood to encompass all such variations. "DNA construct" shall generally be 30 understood to mean a DNA molecule, either single- or doublestranded, which may be isolated in partial form from a naturally occurring gene or which has been modified to contain segments of DNA which are combined and juxtaposed in a manner which would not otherwise exist in nature.

In addition, the invention also encompasses other Polyporus laccases, including alternate forms of laccase which may be found in Polyporus pinsitus and as well as laccases which may be found in other fungi falling within the definition of Polyporus as defined by Fries, or synonyms thereof as stated in Long et al., 1994, ATCC Names of Industrial Fungi, ATCC, Rockville, Maryland. Identification and isolation of laccase genes from sources other than those specifically exemplified herein can be achieved by

- utilization of the methodology described in the present examples, with publicly available *Polyporus* strains.

 Alternately, the sequence disclosed herein can be used to design primers and/or probes useful in isolating laccase genes by standard PCR or southern hybridization techniques.
- Other named Polyporus species include, but are not limited to, P. zonatus, P. alveolaris, P. arcularius, P. australiensis, P. badius, P. biformis, P. brumalis, P. ciliatus, P. colensoi, P. eucalyptorum, P. meridionalis, P. varius, P. palustris, P. rhizophilus, P. rugulosus, P.
- 20 squamosus, P. tuberaster, and P. tumulosus . Also encompassed are laccases which are synonyms, e.g., anamorphs or perfect states of species or strains of the genus Polyporus. Strains of Polyporus are readily accessible to the public in a number of culture collections, such as the
- American Type Culture Collection (ATCC), e.g., ATCC 26721, 9385, 11088, 22084, Deutsche Sammlung von Mikroorganismen und Zellkulturen GmbH (DSM), e.g., DSM 1021, 1023, and 1182; and Centraalbureau Voor Schimmelcultures (CBS), e.g., CBS 678.70, 166.29, 101.15, 276.31, 307.39, 334.49, and 332.49.
- 30 The invention also encompasses any variant nucleotide sequence, and the protein encoded thereby, which protein retains at least about an 80% homology, preferably at least about 85%, and most preferably at least about 90-95% homology with any one of the amino acid sequences depicted

in Figures 2-5, and which qualitatively retains the laccase activity of the sequence described herein. Useful variants within the categories defined above include, for example, ones in which conservative amino acid substitutions have 5 been made, which substitutions do not significantly affect the activity of the protein. By conservative substitution is meant that amino acids of the same class may be substituted by any other of that class. For example, the nonpolar aliphatic residues Ala, Val, Leu, and Ile may be 10 interchanged, as may be the basic residues Lys and Arg, or the acidic residues Asp and Glu. Similarly, Ser and Thr are conservative substitutions for each other, as are Asn and It will be apparent to the skilled artisan that such substitutions can be made outside the regions critical to 15 the function of the molecule and still result in an active enzyme. Retention of the desired activity can readily be determined by conducting a standard ABTS oxidation method. such as is described in the present examples.

The protein can be used in number of different

20 industrial processes. These processes include polymerization
of lignin, both Kraft and lignosulfates, in solution, in
order to produce a lignin with a higher molecular weight.
Such methods are described in, for example, Jin et al.,
Holzforschung 45(6): 467-468, 1991; US Patent No. 4,432,921;
25 EP 0 275 544; PCT/DK93/00217, 1992.

The laccase of the present invention can also be used for in-situ depolymerization of lignin in Kraft pulp, thereby producing a pulp with lower lignin content. This use of laccase is an improvement over the current use of chlorine for depolymerization of lignin, which leads to the production of chlorinated aromatic compounds, which are an environmentally undesirable by-product of paper mills. Such uses are described in, for example, Current opinion in

Biotechnology 3: 261-266, 1992; J. Biotechnol. <u>25</u>: 333-339, 1992; Hiroi et al., Svensk papperstidning <u>5</u>: 162-166, 1976.

Oxidation of dyes or dye precursors and other chromophoric compounds leads to decolorization of the 5 compounds. Laccase can be used for this purpose, which can be particularly advantageous in a situation in which a dye transfer between fabrics is undesirable, e.g., in the textile industry and in the detergent industry. Methods for dye transfer inhibition and dye oxidation can be found in WO 92/01406, WO 92/18683, EP 0495836 and Calvo, Mededelingen van de Faculteit Landbouw-wetenschappen/Rijiksuniversitet Gent. 56: 1565-1567, 1991; Tsujino et al., J. Soc. Chem. 42: 273-282, 1991.

The laccase is particularly well-suited for use in hair 15 dyeing. In such an application, the laccase is contacted with a dye precursor, preferably on the hair, whereby a controlled oxidation of the dye precursor is achieved to convert the precursor to a dye, or pigment producing compound, such as a quinoid compound. The dye precursor is 20 preferably an aromatic compound belonging to one of three major chemical families: the diamines, aminophenols(or aminonaphthols) and the phenols. The dye precursors can be used alone or in combination. At least one of the intermediates in the copolymerization must be an ortho- or 25 para-diamine or aminophenol(primary intermediate). Examples of such are found in Section V, below, and are also described in US Patent No. 3,251,742, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference. In one embodiment, the starting materials include not only the enzyme and a 30 primary intermediate, but also a modifier(coupler) (or combination of modifiers), which modifier is typically a meta-diamine, meta-aminophenol, or a polyphenol. The modifier then reacts with the primary intermediate in the presence of the laccase, converting it to a colored

compound. In another embodiment, the laccase can be used with the primary intermediate directly, to oxidize it into a colored compound. In all cases, the dyeing process can be conducted with one or more primary intermediates, either alone or in combination with one or more modifiers. Amounts of components are in accordance with usual commercial amounts for similar components, and proportions of components may be varied accordingly.

The use of this laccase is an improvement over the more traditional use of H₂O₂, in that the latter can damage the hair, and its use usually requires a high pH, which is also damaging to the hair. In contrast, the reaction with laccase can be conducted at alkaline, neutral or even acidic pH, and the oxygen needed for oxidation comes from the air, rather than via harsh chemical oxidation. The result provided by the use of the *Polyporus* laccase is comparable to that achieved with use of H₂O₂, not only in color development, but also in wash stability and light fastness. An additional commercial advantage is that a single container package can be made containing both the laccase and the precursor, in an oxygen free atmosphere, which arrangement is not possible with the use of H₂O₂.

The present laccase can also be used for the polymerization of phenolic or aniline compounds present in liquids. An example of such utility is the treatment of juices, such as apple juice, so that the laccase will accelerate a precipitation of the phenolic compounds present in the juice, thereby producing a more stable juice. Such applications have been described in Stutz, Fruit processing 7/93, 248-252, 1993; Maier et al., Dt. Lebensmittelrindschau 86(5): 137-142, 1990; Dietrich et al., Fluss. Obst 57(2): 67-73, 1990.

Laccases such as the *Polyporus* laccase are also useful in soil detoxification (Nannipieri et al., J. Environ. Qual.

20: 510-517,1991; Dec and Bollag, Arch. Environ. Contam. Toxicol. 19: 543-550, 1990).

The invention is further illustrated by the following non-limiting examples.

EXAMPLES

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I. ISOLATION OF A POLYPORUS PINISITUS LACCASE ENZYME MATERIALS AND METHODS

1. Enzymatic assays

Unless otherwise stated, throughout the examples, 10 laccase activity is determined by syringaldazine and 2,2'bisazino(3-ethylbenzthiazoline-6-sulfonic acid)(ABTS), as The oxidation of syringaldazine is monitored at 530 nm with 19 μM substrate. In 25 mM sodium acetate, 40 μM cupric sulfate, pH 5.5, at 30°C, the activity is expressed 15 as LACU(μmole/min). For pH profile studies, Robinson(B&R) buffers are used, and are prepared according to the protocol described in Quelle, Biochemisches Taschenbuch, H.M. Raven, II. Teil, S.93 u. 102, 1964. ABTS oxidation is carried out with 1mM ABTS in 0.1 M NaAc, pH 5.0 20 at room temperature by monitoring either ΔAbs_{405} in a 96-well plate(Costar) or ΔAbs_{418} in a quartz cuvette. The overlay ABTS oxidase activity assay is carried out by pouring cooled ABTS-agarose(0.03-0.1 g ABTS, 1 g agarose, 50 ml H_2O , heated to dissolve agarose) over a native IEF gel or PAGE and 25 incubating at room temperature.

2. Initial isolation of laccase

In order to isolate the laccase, 800 ml of culture fluid is filtered by HFSC on a Supra filter(slow filtering). The clear filtrate is then concentrated and washed on an Amicon cell with a GR81 PP membrane to a volume of 72 ml.

One ml aliquots of laccase are bound to a Q-sepharose HP(Pharmacia, Sweden) column, equilibrated with 0.1 M phosphate, pH7 and the laccase is eluted with a NaCl gradient. In all, 10 x 1 ml samples are purified, pooled,

concentrated and washed by ultrafiltration using a membrane with a molecular weight cut-off of 6kD.

3. Secondary purification

In a second purification, a fermentation broth is 5 filtered and concentrated by ultrafiltration. The starting material contains 187 LACU/ml. The concentrate is quickfiltered on a Propex 23 filter(P & S Filtration), with 3% Hyflo Cuper-Cel(HSC; Celite Corporation), followed by two ultrafiltration on a Filtron filter with two membranes, each 10 with a molecular weight cutof of 3 kD. The resulting sample (2.5 mS/cm, pH 7.0, at 4°C) is applied to a 130 ml Q-Sepharose column, equilibrated with sodium phosphate 1.1 mS/cm, pH 7.0. Under these conditions the laccase does not bind to the column, but elutes slowly from the column during 15 the application and wash with the equilibration buffer, resulting in a partial separation from other brownish material.

This partially purified preparation of 1.0mS, pH 7.0 at 20°C is applied to a Q-sepharose column. The column is equilibrated with 20mM sodium phosphate, 2.2 mS, pH 7.0. Under these conditions, the laccase binds to the column and is eluted by a gradient of 0-1 M NaCl over 20 column volumes.

3. Sequencing

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For internal peptide sequencing, the purified protein is digested with trypsin, followed by peptide purification with HPLC. Purified peptides are sequenced in an Applied Biosystems 473A sequencer.

B. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

1. Initial characterization

Total yield of the initial purification is about 50 mg(estimated at A280nm). The purified enzyme has a rich blue color, and appears as only two very close bands on SDS-PAGE at about 65 kd. A native PAGE overlaid with substrate

shows that both bands have laccase activity with ABTS. The absorption spectrum shows that besides an absorption at A280nm, the purified laccase also shows absorption at about 600nm.

2. Sequencing

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A N-terminal determination of the protein initially purified shows a single sequence:

Gly-Ile-Gly-Pro-Val-Ala-Asp-Leu-Thr-Ile-Thr-Asn-Ala-Ala-Val-Ser-Pro-Asp-Gly-Phe-Pro...

Since the N-terminal sequence is not the ideal sequence for constructing a probe, additional experiments with a trypsin digest are conducted, followed by further purification(described above) and sequencing of fragments

2. Secondary purification and characterization

In the second purification, the second Q-Sepharose chromatographic step yields the following pools:

Q-Sepharose-2-pool-1 40 ml 112 LACU 47 LACU/ A_{280}

Q-Sepharose-2-pool-3 80 ml 385 LACU 65 LACU/A₂₈₀
The elution yields >80% of the applied amount. The highly
purified preparation Q-Sepharose-2-pool-3 has an A₂₈₀ = 5.9,
and A₂₈₀/A₂₆₀ = 1.4. The purity of the laccase in the
starting material is extremely high on a protein basis but
the starting material is a very dark brown color. In SDSPAGE, a double band is seen, with a dominating 65 kD band
and a smaller 62 kD band. By anionic chromatography, only
the dominating band is seen in the first peak(Q-Sepharose-2pool-1), whereas both bands are seen in the second peak(QSepharose-2-pool-3).

3. Sequence

A number of internal peptide sequences are determined, and compared with the *Coriolus hirsutus(Ch)* laccase sequence. The identified fragments are as follows:

Tryp 13:

Ser-Pro-Ser-Thr-Thr-Thr-Ala-Ala-Asp-Leu

Tryp 14:

Ser-Ala-Gly-Ser-Thr-Val-Tyr-Asn-Tyr-Asp-Asn-Pro-Ile-Phe Arg Tryp 16:

Sequence 1:

5 Ser-Thr-Ser-Ile-His-Trp-His-Gly-Phe-Phe-Gln-Lys

Sequence 2:

Gly-Ile-Gly-Pro-Val-Ala-Asp-Leu-Thr-Ile-Thr-Asn-Ala-Ala-Val Tryp 18:

Gly-Ile-Gly-Pro-Val-Ala-Asp-Leu-Thr-Ile-Thr-Asn

10 Tryp 19:

Sequence 1:

Leu-Gly-Pro-Ala-Phe-Pro-Leu-Gly-Ala-Asp-Ala-Thr-Leu-Ile-Sequence 2:

Phe-Gln-Leu-Asn-Val-Ile-Asp-Asn-Asn-Thr-His-Thr-Met

15 Tryp 25:

Tyr-Ser-Phe-Val-Leu-Glu-Ala-Asn-Gln-Ala-Val-Asp-Asn-Tyr-Trp-Ile-Arg

Tryp 27

Gly-Thr-Asn-Trp-Ala-Asp-Gly-Pro-Ala-Phe

20 II. ISOLATION OF A POLYPORUS PINISITUS LACCASE CDNA CLONE

A. MATERIALS AND METHODS

1. RNA preparation

RNA is isolated from 10 grams of *P. pinsitus* mycelium grown under xylidine induction for 6.5 hours, using the guanidium/CsCl cushion method. The RNA is poly-A selected on an oligo-dT column, using standard conditions. 120µg mRNA is obtained and stored as lyophilized pellet in 5µg aliquots at -80°C.

2. Single stranded cDNA

Single stranded cDNA is synthesized using the reverse transcriptase "Super Script" (BRL) according to manufacturer's directions.

3. Construction of cDNA library

A cDNA library is constructed using the librarian IV cDNA kit (Invitrogen). Fifty cDNA pools, each containing approximately 5000 individual transformants, are obtained.

4. PCR

PCR is conducted under the following standard conditions: 100pmol of each primer, 10μl 10x PCR buffer(Perkin-Elmer), 40μl dNTP 0.5 mM, 2μl single stranded cDNA(or approximately 100 ng chromosomal DNA or 100 ng PCR fragment), H₂O to 100 μl, 2.5U Taq polymerase. The cycles are 3x(40°C/two minutes, 72°C/two minutes, 94°C/one minute) followed by 30x(60°C/two minutes, 72°C/two minutes, 94°C/1 minute).

B. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

1. Cloning of Polyporus pinsitus laccase

PCR is carried out with the primer #3331:

ACCAGNCTAGACACGGGNTC/AGATACTG/ACGNGAGAGCGGAC/TTGCTGGTC

ACTATCTTCGAAGATCTCG

and primer #3332:

CGCGGCCGCTAGGATCCTCACAATGGCCAA/CTCTCTG/CCTCG/ACCTTC.

- A clear band of about 1500bp is obtained. The DNA is digested with NotI/HindIII, and fractionated on an agarose gel. The upper band(fragment #42) is purified and cloned into the Aspergillus vector pHD423. No transformants are obtained. Several attempts are carried out in order to
- clone the fragment, including redigestion with the restriction enzymes, phosphorylation of the ends, filling in with klenow and blunt-end cloning in SmaI cut puC18, without success. Hybridization with a laccase probe based on the laccase described in Coll et al., supra, indicates that the
- PCR product could be the *P. pinsitus* laccase. In a new attempt to clone the PCR fragment, a new PCR reaction is carried out, using the same conditions as for fragment #42. Again the result is a fragment of about 1500 bp(fragment #43). This time the fragment is cut with HindIII/BamHI, and

ligated to HindIII/BamHI-cut pUC18. Three clones, #43-/A,-B,-G are found to contain a fragment of 1500 bp. Partial sequencing reveals that these fragments are laccase related.

2.Expression of Polyporus pinsitus laccase

The PCR generated DNA from the reaction with a primer pHD433 and template 43-A and 43-G is cut with HindIII/BamHI and cloned into the Aspergillus expression vector

15 pHD414 (described in detail below). Several transformants are obtained.

Clones pHD433/43A-1,2, pHD433/43G-2,-3 are transformed into A. oryzae. The transformants from each transformation (between 3-10) are analyzed for laccase production.

Activity is only obtained with pHD433/43G-3. The positive transformants (numbers 1, 4, 6) are reisolated on amdS plates, and retested. In an additional transformation round a further ten transformants are obtained with pHD433/43G-3. The clones #20, 23, 26, 28, and 29 are positive. The clones are reisolated and two single isolates are analyzed for laccase expression semiquantitatively by color development in an ABTS assay at pH 4.5. On a scale of +-+++, several

Further cloning is conducted to identify a full length clone. A xylidine-induced cDNA library consisting of approximately 350,000 transformants is screened using fragment #42-4 as a probe. More than 100 positive clones are detected. The clones are purified, rescreened, and analyzed on Southern blots. Two of the longest clones are

clones show moderate to strong expression of laccase.

further characterized by DNA sequence determination. The longest clones are found to be identical and found to contain a poly-A stretch in the 3'end and to start at the amino acid number 4 in the amino terminus. A partial DNA sequence is determined from different clones.

pHD433/43G-3 is then used in further cloning studies as described in the following Section IV.

III. PURIFICATION AND CHARACTERIZATION OF ADDITIONAL POLYPORUS PINSITUS LACCASE WILD-TYPE ENZYMES

A. MATERIALS AND METHODS

1.Culture conditions

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Shake flasks(250 ml medium/2.8 l baffled flask) are inoculated wtih several agar plugs taken from a week-old PDA plate of *P. pinsitus*. The medium contains, per liter, 10 g glucose, 2.5 g L-asparagine, 0.2 g L-phenylalanine, 2.0 g yeast extract, 2.0 g KH₂PO₄, 0.5 g MgSO₄·7H₂O, 2.0 mlAMG trace metals, 0.002 g CuSO₄·7H₂O, 1.0 g citric acid, made with tape water, pH 5.0 before autoclaving. The cultures are grown at 18-22°C on a rotary shaker with low agitiation (~100 rpm).

20 After 7 days, the pH of each shake flask is adjusted to ~6.0 by the addition of 0.25 ml 5 N NaOH and the cultures are induced by adding 0.5 ml of a 2.5-xylidine stock solution(xylidine diluted 1:10 into ethanol) to each flask. Flasks are incubated for an additional 24 hours, at which time the culture supernatant from each flask is recovered.

2. Materials.

Chemicals used as buffers are commercial products of at least reagent grade. Endo/N-glucosidase F is from Boehringer-Mannheim. Chromatography is performed on Pharmacia FPLC. Spectroscopic assays are conducted on either a spectrophotometer(Shimadzu PC160) or a microplate reader(Molecular Devices).

3. Purification

Culture broth is filtered first on cheesecloth and centrifuged at 1000 x g to remove gelatinous pinkish xylidine polymer. The supernatant is then filtered on Whatman #2 paper and concentrated from 1500 to 250 ml on 5 S1Y100(Amicon, Spiral concentrator) at 4°C. concentrated broth is diluted with water until it reaches 0.8 mS(from 2.5 mS) and then concentrated on S1Y100 to 250 The washed broth, thawed from -20°C freezing overnight, is subjected to Whatman #2 paper filtration to remove 10 residual pinkish material, and then pH adjusted by NaOH from pH 6.1 to pH 7.7. This yellowish broth, 275 ml with 0.8 mS, is applied on a Q-Sepharose XK-26 column(~64 ml gel) equilibrated with 10 mM Tris-HCl, pH 7,7, 0.7 mS. The first active laccase fraction runs through during loading and 15 washing by the equilibrating buffer. The elution is carried out by a linear gradient of 0-0.5 M NaCl in the equilibrating buffer over 8.8 bed-volume. The second and third active fractions are eluted around 0.15 and 0.35M NaCl, respectively. No more active fractions are detected 20 when the column is washed sequentially with 2 M NaCl and with 1 mM NaOH. The active fractions are pooled, adjusted to ~10mS, concentrated on Centricon-10(Amicon), and then applied onto Superdex 75(HR10/30, 24 ml, Pharmacia) equilibrated with 10mM Tris-HCl, 0.15 M NaCl, pH 8, 14 mS. 25 During elution with the application buffer, laccase fractions are eluted off using the same elution volume for all three Q-Sepharose fractions, indicating very similar native molecular weight. The purity of the laccase is tested on SDS-PAGE.

4. Protein analysis

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PAGE and native IEF are carried out on a Mini Protean II and a Model 111 Mini IEF cells(Bio-Rad). Western blots are carried out on a Mini trans-blot cell(Bio-Rad) with an alkaline phosphatase assay kit(Bio-Rad). The primary

antibodies are diluted 1000-fold during blotting. Nterminus sequencing is performed on an Applied Biosystems
(ABI) 476A protein sequencer using liquid phase TFA delivery
for cleavage and on-line HPLC for identification of PTH
5 amino acids. Standard Fast Cycles and Pre-Mix Buffer System
is used according to manufacturer's instructions.

Deglycosylation with glycosidase is done as follows: 3µg of
protein and 3.6 units of glycosidase in 0.25M NaAc, pH 5, 20

mM EDTA, 0.05% 2-mercaptoethanol is incubated at 37°C for 18

10 hours with ovalbumin and bovine serum albumin serving as
positive and negative control, respectively, and the
mobility is detected by SDS-PAGE.

Amino acid analysis for determining extinction coefficients is done using Amino Quant 1090 HPLC system from 15 Hewlett Packard. Microwave facilitated vapor phase hydrolysis of lyophilized samples is done using the MDS-2000 hydrolysis-station(CEM, Matthews, NC). 6N HCl containing 1% phenol as a scavenger is used to create the acid vapors. Hydrolysis time is 20 minutes at 70 psi (~148°C).

Hydrolyzed samples are lyophilized and redissolved in 20 μ l of 500pmol/ μ l sarcosine and norvaline as internal standards. 1 μ l is injected and analyzed according to manufacturer's instructions.

B. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

1. Purification

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The previously characterized *P. pinsitus* laccase has a pI of ~3.5. However, considerable laccase activity is detected in the run-through fraction of Q-Sepharose preequilibrated at pH 7.7. Upon a gradient elution, one more active fraction comes off the column before the active fraction initially anticipated. UV-visible spectra and SDS-PAGE show that all three fractions contain mainly laccase. After further purification by gel filtration, different pI's under native non-denaturing conditions are detected for the

two new fractions and shown to be consistent with the elution order.

2. Characterization

The pure laccase preparations derived from Q-Sepharose eluates behave as a rather well-defined band on SDS-PAGE at ~63 kDa. Deglycosylation detects ~14% w/w carbohydrates based on mobility change on SDS-PAGE. On native-IEF, the laccase preparations have bands of pI 6-6.5, 5-6.5, and 3.5. ABTS-agarose overlay show that all bands are active. Each form in turn shows multiple isoforms under the IEF conditions.

The neutral and acidic forms have a typical UV-visible spectrum with maxima at 605 and 275 nm. The ratio of A_{275}/A_{605} is 30-40. The spectrum for the acidic-neutral form 15 has a peak at 276 nm and a shoulder around 600 nm.

The N-terminal sequencing shows that the neutral and neutral-acidic forms have the same first 29 residues(Table 1). The N-terminus of the acidic form matches 100% to that of the previously characterized form. All three forms exhibit comparable cross-reactivity toward antibodies raised against previously characterized form.

Table 1. Structural and enzymatic properties of *P. pinsitus* laccases

	Form	<u>N-terminus</u>	LACU	ΔA_{405} min-1(ABTS)
5	Acidic	GIGPVA D LTITNAAVSPDGFSRQAVVVNG	92	4000
	Acidic-	A****(*)*VVA**P*****L*D*I****	7 5	4000
	Neutral			
	Neutral	A*****(*)*VVA**P*****L*D*I****	32	1000

^{10 *:} Same residue as compared with the acidic form. (): weak signal

3. Laccase Activity

The specific activities (per A₂₇₅) of the three forms are tested by both ABTS and syringaldazine oxidations. The

15 shapes and optima of the pH activity profiles for the three forms are very close: all have optima at ≤pH4 and pH 5-5.5 for ABTS and syringaldazine oxidations, respectively.

IV. ISOLATION OF MULTIPLE COPIES OF POLYPORUS PINSITUS 20 LACCASE ENZYMES AND GENES

A. MATERIALS AND METHODS

1. Strains

The following strains are employed in the methods described below: E. coli K802(e14-(mrca), mcrB, hsdR2, galK2, galT22, supE44, metB1; Clonetech); E. coli XL-1 Blue(recA1, endA1, gyrA96, thi-1, hsdR17, supE44, relA1, lac[F'proAB, lacIqZDM15, Tn10(tetr)]; Stratagene) and Polyporus pinsitus CBS 678.70.

2. Genomic DNA isolation

Cultures of *P.pinsitus* are grown in 500 ml YG (0.5% yeast extract, 2% dextrose) at room temperature for 3 to 4 days. Mycelia are harvested through miracloth, washed twice with TE and frozen quickly in liquid nitrogen. The frozen mycelia are stored at -80°C. To isolate DNA, the mycelia

are ground to a fine powder in an electric coffee grinder. The powdered mycelia are resuspended in TE to a final volume of 22 ml. Four ml 20% SDS is added with mixing by inversion followed by incubation at room temperature for 10 minutes. 5 The sample is gently extracted with phenol:chloroform and centrifuged to separate the phases. The aqueous phase is collected and 400µl proteinase A(10 mg/ml stock) is added. The sample is incubated at 37°C for 30 minutes followed by a phenol:chloroform extraction. The aqueous phase is 10 precipitated by the addition of 0.1 volumes of 3 M Na acetate, pH 5.2 and 2.5 volumes 95% ethanol and freezing at 20°C for one hour. After centrifugation to precipitate the DNA, the pellet is resuspended in 6 ml TE, and 200 µl boiled RNase A(10 mg.ml stock) is added. After incubation at 37°C, 15 100 ul proteinase A(10 mg/ml stock) is added followed by incubation at 37°C for 30 minutes. The sample is phenol:chloroform extracted twice. To the aqueous phase, 0.1 volumes 3 M Na acetate and 2.5 volumes are added, and teh sample is frozen at -20°C for 1 hour. Following 20 centrifugation, the pellet is gently resuspended in 400 μl TE, and 40 μ l Na acetate and 1 ml 95% ethanol are added. The DNA is pelleted by centrifugation, and the pellet is washed in 70% ethanol. The final pellet is resuspended in

25 <u>3. RNA preparation</u>

250 µl TE.

RNA is isolated from mycelia which are harvested from P. pinisitus cultures which are either induced for laccase expression by the addition of 2,5-xylidine or are uninduced. The mycelia are washed and frozen quickly in liquid N_2 .

30 Frozen mycelia are ground to a fine powder in an electric coffee grinder. The powder is immediately suspended in 20 ml extraction buffer (0.2 M Tris-HCl, 0.25 M NaCl, 50 mM EGTA, 0.8% tri-isopropyl naphthalene sulfonic acids, 4.8% paminosalicylic acid, pH 8.5). All solutions for RNA

extraction are made with diethylpyrocarbonate(DEP)-treated water. The sample is kept on ice and 0.5 volumes TE-saturated phenol:chloroform is added. The sample is mixed well by inversion for 2 minutes, and the phases are separated by centrifugation. The aqueous phase is saved, and the organic phase is extracted with 2 ml extraction buffer and incubated at 68°C for 5 minutes. After centrifugation to separate the phases, the aqueous phases are pooled and extracted several time with phenol:chloroform until there is no longer any protein at the interface. To the aqueous phase 0.1 volume 3 M Na-acetate, pH 5.2 and 2.5 volumes 95% ethanol are added to precipitate the RNA, and the sample is frozen at -20°C for 2 hours. The RNA is pelleted and resuspended in DEP water with RNase inhibitor.

15 <u>4. DNA sequencing</u>

Nucleotide sequences are determined using TAQ polymerase cycle sequencing with fluorescent-labeled nucleotides, and reactions are electrophoresed on an Applied Biosystems automatic DNA sequencer (Model 363A, version 1.2.0).

5. Preparation of genomic libraries

Two size-selected genomic libraries of *P. pinsitus* are constructed. A library of 5 to 6 kb BamHI fragments are constructed in pBluescript+. Genomic DNA is digested with BamHI, and the digest is electrophoresed on a preparative agarose(IBI) gel. The region containing the 5 to 6 BamHI fragments is sliced from the gel. The DNA is isolated from teh gel using a Geneclean kit(BIO 101). The DNA is ligated into pBluescript plasmid previously digested with BamHI and dephosphorylated with BAP(GIBCO BRL), *E. coli* XL-1 Blue competent cells (Stratagene) are transformed with the ligation, and 12,000 white colonies are obtained.

A library of 7 to 8 kb BamHI/EcoRI fragments is constructed in pUC118. Ten μg genomic DNA is digested with

BamHI and EcoRI and treated with BAP(GIBCO BRL). Competent E. coli XL-1 Blue cells are transformed with the ligation, and the library contains ~8000 recombinants.

For the preparation of a total genomic library in

lambda EMBL4, 25 µg of P. pinsitus genomic DNA is partially digested with Sau3A. After digestion, the DNA is electrophoresed on a preparative low-melt agarose gel, and a band containing the 9 to 23 kb sized DNA is sliced from the gel. The DNA is extracted from the gel using ß-agarose(New England Biolabs). The isolated EMBL4 arms (Clonetech) according to the supplier's directions. The ligation is packaged in vitro using a Gigapack II kit(Stratagene). The library is titered using E. coli K802 cells. The unamplified library is estimated to contain 35,000 independent recombinants. The library is amplified using E. coli K802 cells.

6. Southern and Northern Blots

DNA samples are electrophoresed on agarose gels in TAE buffer using standard protocols. RNA samples are electrophoresed on agarose gels containing formaldehyde. Both DNA and RNA gels are transferred to Zeta-Probe membrane(BIO-RAD) using either capillary action under alkaline conditions or a vacuum blotter. After transfer, the DNA gels are UV crosslinked. Blots are prehybridized at 65°C in 1.5X SSPE, 1% SDS, 0.5% non-fat dried milk and 200 µg/ml salmon sperm DNA for 1 hour. Radioactive probes are added directly to the prehybridization solutions, and hybridizations are continued overnight at 65°C. Blots are washed with 2XSSC for 5 minutes at 65°C and with 0.2XSSC, 1%SDS, 0.1% Na-pyrophosphate at 65°C for 30 minutes twice.

Radioactive labeled probes are prepared using a α -32P-dCTP and a nick translation kit(GIBCO-BRL).

7. Library screening

For screening of the size-selected 5-6 kb BamHI and 7-8 kb BamHI/EcoRI libraries ~500 colonies on LB carb plates and lifted the colonies to Hybond N+ filters(Amersham) using standard procedures. The filters are UV crosslinked following neutralization. The filters are prehybridized at 65°C in 1,5% SSPE, 1% SDS, 0.5% non-fat dried milk, 200 µg/ml salmon sperm DNA for 1 hour. Nick-translated probes are added directly to the prehybridization solution, and hybridizations are done overnight at 65°C.

For screening of the genomic bank in EMBL, appropriate dilutions of the amplified library are plated with *E. coli* K802 cells on 100mM NZY top agarose. The plaques are lifted to Hybond N+ membranes (Amersham) using standard procedures. The DNA is crosslinked to the membranes using UV crosslinking. The filters are prehybridized and hybridized using the same conditions as those mentioned above. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

1. Isolation of multiple copies of laccase gene

P. pinsitus genomic DNA is digested with several different restriction enzymes for southern analysis. The blot is probed with the cDNA insert(isolated as a BamHI/SphI fragment from the pYES vector) which is labeled with α-P³²-dCTP. The blot is hybridized and washed as described above. The cDNA hybridizes to several restriction fragments for most of the enzymes suggesting that there are multiple laccase genes in the genome. Because the cDNA hybridizes to a BamHI fragment of ~5.5 kb, a library of 5-6 kb BamHI fragments from P. pinisitus is constructed.

2. Screening of Genomic Libraries

The results from screening of the libraries are summarized in Table 2. The 5-6 kb BamHI size-selected library is screened with the original cDNA clone labeled with ³²P. Approximately 30,000 colonies are screened with hybridizations done at 65°C. Plasmid DNA is isolated from

two positive colonies and digested with BamHI to check for insert size. Both clones contain an ~5.5 kb BamHI insert. The cloned insert(LCC3) is sequenced from either end; the sequence has homology to the cDNA, but is clearly not the cDNA encoded laccase. The partial DNA sequence of LCC3 also indicates that the LCC3 pUC118 clone does not contain the full gene.

From a southern blot of BamHI/EcoRI double digested DNA it is demonstrated that the cDNA hybridizes to an ~7.7 kb 10 fragment. A size-selected library in pUC118 is constructed containing 7-8 BamHI/EcoRI fragments. A total of ~8000 independent colonies are obtained and screened by hybridization with a 32P labeled insert. Plasmid DNA is isolated from the positive colonies and digested with BamHI 15 and EcoRI. Restriction analysis of the plasmids demonstrate that they fall into two classes. One class (LCC4) contains four clones which are all identical and have an ~7.7 kb BamHI/EcoRI insert which hybridizes to the cDNA. A second class(LCC1) contains two clones which are identical and have 20 inserts of ~7.2 kb which hybridize to the cDNA. Partial DNA sequencing of clones LCC1 and LCC4 demonstrate that clone 21 is the genomic clone of the original cDNA, while LCC4 codes for another laccase. The partial DNA sequence of LCC1 shows that the pUC118 clone does not contain the full gene and 25 that a fragment upstream of the EcoRI site is needed.

At the same time the size selected 7-8 BamHI/EcoRI library is being constructed, a *P. pinisitus* genomic bank in EMBL4 is constructed containing ~35,000 independent recombinant phage. Ten positive plaques are picked and purified. DNA is isolated from the purified phage lysates. Restriction digests of EMBL DNAs demonstrates that there are three classes of clones. The first class(11GEN) is defined by two sibs whose inserts contain a BamHI/EcoRI fragment of the same size as LCC1 which hybridizes to the LCC1 insert.

The second class(12GEN) contains one clone which has a different restriction pattern than the 11GEN class and whose insert contains a different restriction pattern than the 11GEN class and whose insert contains an ~5.7 kb BamHI/EcoRI fragment. The third class is defined by a single clone whose insert contains an ~3.2 kb BamHI/EcoRI fragment which hybridizes to the LCC1 insert. DNA sequence analysis demonstrates that clone 11GEN contains the LCC1 BamHI/EcoRI fragment and both 5' and 3" flanking regions. It is also demonstrated that clone 12GEN contains a portion of the LCC1 insert.

The P. pinisitus EMBL genomic bank is also screened with the LCC3 BamHI insert in order to clone the full gene. Approximately 30,000 plaques are plated and lifted from 15 hybridization. Five plaques which hybridize to the LCC3(BamHI/EcoRI) insert are identified and purified. DNA is isolated from the purified phage stocks. analysis of P. pinisitus genomic DNA demonstrates that the LCC3 BAmHI insert hybridizes to an ~7kb EcoRI fragment. 20 Restriction digests and southerns demonstrate that 4 of the clones contain restriction fragments which hybridize to the EcoRI/BamHI(1.6 kb) fragment and that the clones fall into three classes. Class one is defined by a single clone(LCC5) whose insert contains a 3kb EcoRI fragment which hybridizes 25 to the LCC3 BamHI/EcoRI fragment. Another class is defined by clone(LCC2) whose insert contains an ~11 kb EcoRI fragment which hybridizes to the LCC3 BamHI/EcoRI insert. The third class is defined by two clones which are not identical but contain many of the same restriction 30 fragments; these clones both contain an ~7.5 kb EcoRI fragment which hybridizes to the LCC3 insert. Further analysis of this third class indicates that they are identical to clone LCC4. Partial DNA sequencing of LCC5 and LCC2 indicates that both of these clones code for laccases;

however, neither is identical to any of the above mentioned laccase genes (LCC1, LCC3, or LCC4). At this point, five unique laccase genes are cloned; however, the fragments subcloned from LCC5 and LCC2 do not contain the full genes.

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From the DNA sequencing of the 3 kb EcoRI fragment from clone LCC5 it is determined that ~200 base pairs of the Nterminus are upstream of the EcoRI site. EcoRI/MluI fragment from LCC5 is used to identify for subcloning a MluI fragment from the LCC5 EMBL clone. 10 ~4.5 MluI fragment from the LCC5 EMBL clone is subcloned for sequencing and shown to contain the N-terminal sequence.

To clone the N-terminal half of the LCC3 laccase gene. the P. pinsitus EMBL genomic bank is probed with an ~750 bp BamHI/StuI restriction fragment from the LCC3 pUC118 clone. 15 Approximately 25,000 plaques are screened and five plaques appear to hybridize with the probe. Upon further purification only three of the clones are still positive. Two of the clones give very strong signals and the restrictions digests of DNA isolated from these phage 20 demonstrate that both contain an ~750 bp BamHI/StuI fragment in their inserts and that the two clones are not identical but overlapped. Based on results of Southern analysis, an ~8.5 kb fragment from these clones are subcloned for sequencing. The EcoRI fragment is shown to contain the 25 entire gene.

To clone the N-terminal half of the LCC2 laccase gene, the P. pinsitus genomic bank in EMBL4 is probed with an ~680 bp EcoRI/PvuI of the EMBL LCC2 clone. Thirty thousand plaques are screened by hybridization at 65°C, and 15 30 plagues appear to hybridize with the probe. All fifteen are purified, and DNA is isolated. The clones can be placed in four classes based on restriction patterns, Seven of the clones are all sibs, and are identical to the original EMBL clone of LCC2. The second class is defined by 3 clones

which are sibs. An ~4 kb HindIII fragment is subcloned from this class for sequencing and is shown to contain the N-terminal half of LCC2. A third class is defined by a single clone and is not characterized further.

5 <u>3. DNA sequencing</u>

The complete DNA sequences of the five genomic clones is determined as described in Materials and Methods. Sequencing of clone LCC2 demonstrate that it probably codes for the second form of laccase(neutral pI) isolated from 10 culture broth from an induced P. pinsitus culture as described above. The N-terminal protein sequence from the neutral pI laccase and the predicted N-terminus for the protein coded for by LCC2 are compared, and show identity. The predicted pI for the protein coded for by clone LCC2 is 15 5.95, which is in good agreement with the experimental pI determined for the second form of laccase being between 5.0 and 6.5. Figures 1-5 (SEQ ID NOS. 1-5) show the DNA sequences and predicted translation products for the genomic clones. For LCC1, the N-terminus of the mature protein as 20 determined by protein sequencing and predicted by Von Heijne rules is Gly at position 22. The N-terminus is Gly-Ile-Gly-Pro-Val-Ala-. For LCC2 the N-terminal amino acid of the mature protein as determined by protein sequencing is Ala at position 21. The N-terminus is Ala-Ile-Gly-Pro-Val-Ala-. 25 For LCC3 the predicted N-terminal amino acid of the mature protein is Ser at position 22, with the N terminus being Ser-Ile-Gly-Pro-Val-Thr-Glu-Leu-. For LCC4, the predicted N-terminal amino acid is Ala at position 23 with the Nterminus being Ala-Ile-Gly-Pro-Val-Thr-. For LCC5 the 30 predicted N-terminal amino acid is Ala at position 24 with the N-terminus being Ala-Ile-Gly-Pro-Val-Thr-Asp. A comparison of the structural organization of the genes and the predicted proteins they code for is presented in Table 1. It will be seen that the five genes have different

structural organizations and code for proteins of slightly different sizes. Comparisons between the predicted proteins of the genomic clones and other fungal laccase are also Table 2 shows a comparison of the predicted laccase 5 to each other and to other fungal laccases. Clone LCC1(the induced laccase first characterized) has the most identity(90%) to the Coriolus hirsutus laccase and the PM1 basidiomycete laccase (Coll et al., supra). The other four laccases have between 64 and 80% identity to the C. hirsutus The laccase coded for by LCC3 has the least 10 laccase. identity to the LCC1 laccase and the other fungal laccases shown in Table 2. LCC2 appears to be the second wild-type laccase isolated as described above; based on the N-terminal sequences of the isolated clones, it also appears that the 15 "neutral" and acidic neutral" wild-type laccases are the same enzyme which is encoded by the LCC2 sequence.

Table 1 Comparison of Structural Organization and Predicted Proteins of the P. pinsitis Genomic Clones.

G	# 1-1	Size of Predicted	Size of Predicted Mature Protein	Predicted Isolelectric Point
<u>Gene</u>	<u># Introns</u>	Precursor Protein	·	
21GEN	8	520	499	4.49
23GEN	10	519	498	5.95
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24GEN	12	516	495	
31GEN	11	510	488	4.06
41GEN	11	527	504	4.07

Table 7 Amino Acid Identity Between P. pinsitis Laccases and Other Fungal Laccases.

21GEN	21GEN	23GEN 79%	24GEN 64%	31GEN 70%	41GEN 72%	CRIPHA 90%	CRIPHE 91%	PBILAC 64%	PM1 80%
23GEN	79%	, , , , ,	65%	66%	69%	80%	81%	62%	74%
24GEN	64%	65%		61%	65%	64%	65%	61%	63%
31GEN	70%	66%	61%		75%	69%	70%	64%	69%
41GEN	70 <i>7</i> 0 72%	69%	65%	75%		71%	72%	64%	71%
CRIPHA		80%	64%	69%	71%		99%	64%	80%
CRIPHE	91%	81%	65%	70%	72%	99%	<u> </u>	65%	81%
PBILAC	64%	62%	61%	64%	64%	64%	65%		65%
PMI	80%	74%	63%	69%	71%	80%	81%	65%	

21GEN, 23GEN, 24GEN, 31GEN and 41GEN= P. pinsitis laccase clones

CRIPHA= Coriolus hirsutis laccase A

CRIPHE= C. hirsutis laccase B

PBILAC= Phlebia radiata laccase

PM1= Basidiomycete PM1 laccase (CECT2971)

5. Northern blots

RNA is isolated from mycelia from both a xylidineinduced culture and an uninduced culture. RNA is blotted to
membrane after electrophoresis, and the blot is probed with
the cDNA insert, or a small fragment containing ~100 bp of
the 23GEN promoter and the first 100 bp of the coding
region. A transcript of about 1.8 kb hybridizes to both the
induced and uninduced RNA samples; however, transcription of
this message is clearly induced by the addition of xylidine
to the culture.

III. EXPRESSION OF P. PINSITUS LACCASE IN ASPERGILLUS MATERIALS AND METHODS

1. Strains

A. oryzae A1560, A. oryzae HowB104(fungamyl delete,
15 pyrg), A. oryzae HowB101pyrg, A. niger Bo-1, A. niger Bo-80,
A. niger ATCC1040, A. niger NRRL337, A. niger NRRL326, A.
niger NRRL326, A. niger NRRL2295, A. niger ATCC11358, A.
niger NRRL322, A. niger AT10864, A. japonicus A1438, A.
phoenicis, A. foetidus N953.

20 <u>2. Media</u>

For the shake flask cultivation of the A. niger, A. foetidus, and A. phoenicis MY50 (per liter:50 g maltodextrin, 2 g MgSO₄·H₂O, 10 gKH₂PO₄, 2 g K₂SO₄, 2 g citric acid, 10 g yeast extract, 0.5 ml trace metals, 2 g urea, pH 6.0) media is used. For the shake flask cultivation of the A. oryzae A1560 and HowB101 strains MY51(per liter: 30 g maltodextrin, 2 mg MgSO₄. 10 g KH₂PO₄, 2 g K₂SO₄, 2 g citric acid, 10 g yeast extract, 0.5 ml trace metals, 1 g urea, 2 g(NH₄)₂SO₄, pH 6.0) is used. For the shake flask analysis of the A.oryzae HowB104 strains, MY51 maltose(same as MY51 but with 50g of maltose instead of maltodextrin) media is used. For the shake flask analysis of the A. japonicus strains M400 media(per liter: 50 g maltodextrin, 2 g MgSO₄, 2 g

 KH_2PO_4 , 4 g citric acid, 8 g yeast extract, 0.5 ml trace metals, 2 g urea, pH 6.0.

Cultures grown overnight for protoplast formation and subsequent transformation are grown in YEG(0.5% yeast extract, 2% dextrose). For strains that are pyrg, uridine is supplemented to 10 mM final concentration.

3. Screening for laccase production

Primary transformants are screened first on a minimal medium plates containing 1% glucose as the carbon source and 10 1mM ABTS to test for production of laccase. Transformants that give green zones on the plates are picked and spore purified before shake flask analysis is done.

Shake flask samples are centrifuged to clear the broth. Dilute or undiluted broth samples are assayed with ABTS

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RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

1. Expression in shake flasks

The first expression vector constructed is pDSY1, which contains the TAKA promoter, TAKA signal sequence, P. 20 pinisitus laccase cDNA beginning at the mature N-terminus and the AMG terminator. The TAKA signal sequence: laccase insert is constructed in 2 steps. First by site directed mutagenesis, an AgeI site beginning at bp 107 of the laccase mature coding region is created by a single base change and 25 a NsiI site is created ~120 bp downstream of the laccase stop codon(ACG GGT->ACC GGT and TTC GCT->ATG CAT, respectively). A small PCR fragment beginning with an SfiI site and ending with the AgeI site at 107 bp in laccase is PCR amplified. This fragment contains a piece of the TAKA 30 signal sequence and the first ~107 bp of the mature laccase cDNA. Further DNA sequencing of this fragment shows it has a single base change that leads to a substitution of Asn for Thr at position 9 in mature laccase. This substitution

creates a potential N-linked glycosylation site. The PCR

fragment and AgeI/NsiI fragments are cloned into pMWR1(Figure 6) which has been digested with SfiI/NsiI. The vector pMWR1 contains the TAKA promoter, a portion of the TAKA signal sequence which ends with an SfiI site, and the TAKA terminator with a NsiI site inserted directly 5' to the terminator. The resulting expression vector (Figure 7) is used to cotransform several hosts. Methods for cotransformation of Aspergillus strains are as described in Christensen et al., supra.

In the second laccase expression vector, the base change in DSY1 which leads to the substitution of Asn for Thr at amino acid 9 is reverted back to wild type by a PCR reaction. The second expression vector pDSY2 is identical to pDSY1 except for this single base change. Three different A. oryzae strains and several A. niger strains are cotransformed with pDSY2 and either pTOC90(WO 91/17243) which carries the A. nidulans amdS gene or pSO2 which carries the A. oryzae pyrG gene.

Expression of laccase is observed in all hosts tested,
20 with both DSY1 and DSY2. Yields range from 0.1-12.0
Δabs/min/ml, with highest yields being observed with A.
niger strains.

A construct pDSY10 is made which contains the TAKA

25 promoter, laccase full-length cDNA including its own signal sequence and the AMG terminator. A 200 bp BamHI/AgeI fragment which has a BamHI site immediately 5' to the ATG of the initiation codon and an AgeI site at the same position as in pDSY1 is PCR amplified using lac1 as template. A

30 MluI/HindIII fragment is PCR amplified using pDSY2 as template and begins with the MluI site present in the cDNA and ends with a HindII site directly 3' to the stop codon of laccase. The above two fragments and the AgeI/MluI fragment

from pDSY2 are ligated into pHD414 to yield pDSY10(Figure 8).

The vector pHD414 used in expression of laccase is a derivative of the plasmid p775(EP 238 023). In contrast to 5 this plasmid, pHD414 has a string of unique restriction sites between the TAKA promoter and the AMG terminator. plasmid is constructed by removal of an approximately 200 bp long fragment (containing undesirable RE sites) at the 3' end of the terminator, and subsequent removal of an 10 approximately 250 bp long fragment at the 5' end of the promoter, also containing undesirable sites. The 200 bp region is removed by cleavage with NarI (positioned in the pUC vector) and XbaI (just 3' to the terminator), subsequent filling in the generated ends with Klenow DNA polymerase + 15 dNTP, purification of the vector fragment on a gel and religation of the vector fragment. This plasmid is called pHD413. pHD413 is cut with StuI (positioned in the 5' end of the promoter) and PvuII (in the pUC vector), fractionated on gel and religated, resulting in pHD414. Cotransformation 20 of A. oryzae HowB104 and A. niger Bo-1 are done using pToC90 for selection. Yields in shake flask are comparable to those seen with pDSY2.

2. Expression in fermentors

A 1 ml aliquot of a spore suspension of Aspergillus

niger transformant Bo-1-pDSY10-4(approximately 10° spores/ml)
is added aseptically to a 500 ml shake flask containing 100
ml of sterile shake flask medium (glucose, 75g/l; soya meal,
20 g/l; MgSO₄·7H₂O, 2g/l; KH₂PO₄, 10g/l; K₂SO₄, 2g/l;
CaCl₂·2H₂O 0.5 g/l; Citric acid, 2g/l; yeast extract, 10g/l;
trace metals[ZnSO₄·7H₂O, 14.3 g/l; CuSO₄·5H₂O, 2.5 g/l;
NiCl₂·6H₂O, 0.5 g/l; FeSO₄·7H₂O, 13.8 g/l, MnSO₄·H₂O, 8.5 g/l;
citric acid, 3.0 g/l], 0.5 ml/l; urea, 2g/l, made with tap
water and adjusted to pH 6.0 before autoclaving), and
incubated at 37°C on a rotary shaker at 200 rpm for 18

hours. 50 ml of this culture is aseptically transferred to a 3 liter fermentor containing 1.8 liters of the fermentor media (maltodextrin MD01 300 g/l; MgSO₄·7H₂O, 2g/l; KH₂PO₄, 2g/l; citric acid 2g/l; K₂SO₄, 2.7 g/l;CaCl₂·2H₂O, 2g/l; trace

- metals, 0.5 ml/l; pluronic antifoam, 1ml/l; made with tap water and pH adjusted to 6.0 before autoclaving). The fermentor temperature is maintained at 34°C by the circulation of cooling water through the fermentor jacket. Sterile air is sparged through the fermentor at a rate of
- 10 1.8 liter/min (1v/v/m). The agitation rate is maintained at 800 rpm for the first 24 hours after inoculation and at 1300 rpm for the remainder of the fermentation. The pH of the fermentation is kept at 4.0 by the automatic addition of 5N NaOH or H₃PO₄. Sterile feed (urea, 50 g/l; pluronic antifoam,
- 15 1.5 ml/l, made up with distilled water and autoclaved) is added to the fermentor by use of a peristaltic pump. The feed rate profile during the fermentation is as follows: 40 g of feed is added initially before inoculation; after inoculation, feed is at a constant rate of 2.5 g/l h.

Copper is made as a 400% stock in water or a suitable buffer, filter sterilized and added aseptically to the tank to a final level of 0.5 mM. Samples for enzyme activity determination are withdrawn and filtered through Miracloth to remove mycelia. These samples are assayed for laccase activity by a LACU assay. Laccase activity is found to increase continuously during the course of the fermentation, with a value of approximately 55 LACU/ml is achieved after 190 hours. This corresponds to approximately 350mg/l of

30 IV. PURIFICATION OF RECOMBINANT LACCASE

MATERIALS AND METHODS

recombinant laccase expressed.

1. Materials.

Chemicals used as buffers and substrates are commercial products of at least reagent grade. Endo/N-glycosidase G is

from Boehringer-Mannheim. Chromatography is performed on either a Pharmacia's FPLC or a conventional open column low pressure system. Spectroscopic assays are conducted on a Shimadzu PC160 spectrophotometer.

2. Purification

- (a) DSY2
- 2.8 liters cheese-cloth filtered broth(pH 7, 19mS) obtained from an A. oryzae pDSY2 transformant as described above is filtered on 0.45 μ Corning filter and concentrated 10 on Spiral Concentrator (Amicon) with S1Y30 membrane to 200ml. The concentrate pH is adjusted to 7.5, diluted with 4.8 1 water to achieve 1.2 mS, and concentrated on S1Y30 to 200ml. 50ml of this broth solution is applied onto a Q-Sepharose column(XK16, 34ml gel), pre-equilibrated with 10mM Tris, pH 15 7.5, 0.7 mS(Buffer A). The blue laccase band that migrates slowly during loading is eluted by a linear gradient of Buffer B(Buffer A plus 0.5 M NaCl). 24 ml of pooled laccase fractions are concentrated on Centricon-100(Amicon) to 4.5 ml and applied onto a Superdex 200 column(HiLoad 16/60, 120 20 ml gel). During the development with Buffer C(Buffer A plus 0.15 M NaCl, 14.4 mS), the blue laccase fractions elute followed by brownish contaminant fractions. Only the first half of the elution band(detected by Abs_{600}) show a high laccase to contaminant ratio and are pooled. The pooled 25 fractions are dialyzed in 10mM Bis-Tris, pH 6.8, 0.6mS(Buffer D), applied onto a Mono-Q column(Mono-Q 5/5, 1ml) equilibrated with Buffer D, and eluted with Buffer E(Bufer D plus 0.5 M NaCl) using a linear gradient. laccase fractions, which ome out round 27% Buffer E, are 30 pure as judged by SDS-PAGE. At each step, the laccase fractions are routinely checked by ABTS oxidation, SDS-PAGE, and Western Blot.
 - (b) DSY10

2.8 liters cheese-cloth filtered broth(pH 7.3, 24mS) obtained from HowB104-pDSY10 is filtered on Whatman #2 paper and concentrated on Spiral Concentrator (Amicon) with S1Y100 membrane to 210ml. The concentrate pH is diluted with 5 water to achieve 1.2 mS, and concentrated on S1Y100 to 328 This broth solution is applied onto a Q-Sepharose column(XK26, 120 ml gel), pre-equilibrated with 10mM Tris. pH 7.5, 0.7 mS(Buffer A). The blue laccase band that migrates slowly during loading is eluted by a linear 10 gradient of Buffer B(Buffer A plus 2 M NaCl). 120 ml of pooled laccase fractions are diluted with water to achieve 1.1mS and then concentrated on SIY100 to 294 ml and applied onto a Mono-Q column (HiLoad 16/10, 40 ml gel) preequilibrated with Buffer A. The laccase slowly passes 15 through the column during loading and washing with Buffer A. The pooled fractions which have a pH reading of 5.6, are loaded on a Mono-Q column(HiLoad 16/10, 40 ml gel), preequilibrated with Buffer C(10mM MES, pH 5.5, 0.1 mS). laccase fractions elute by a very shallow gradient of Buffer 20 D(Buffer C + 1M NaCl). Enzymatic assays are conducted as described above.

3. Protein analysis

Total amino acid analysis, N-terminal sequencing, deglycosylation, SDS-PAGE, IEF, and Western blots are performed as decribed above.

B. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

1. Purification and Characterization

Overall a 256-fold purification and a yield of 37% are achieved for DSY10, and a 246-fold purification and a yield of 14% are achieved for DSY2. In terms of electorphoretic pattern, spectral properties and activity, purified DSY2 and DSY10 are indistinguishable. Purified recombinant laccases behave as a dimer on gel filtration, and exhibit subunit molecular weight which is somewhat larger than that of the

wild type laccase, indicating a post-translational processing in A. oryzae that results in the extra glycosylation on the recombinants. Deglycosylation has confirmed the difference in mass arising from extra sugars (Table 3).

Table 3.Molecular and spectral properties of recombinant and wild-type laccase

5	MW,	kDa	Carbohydrate	Ιq	$\lambda_{\text{max}}, \text{nm}(\epsilon, 1/g*cm)$
	Native	subunit	w/w 8		
WT	~130	~63	~7	3.5	275(1.8)615(0.12)
Rec.	~130	~67	~13	3.5	275(1.7)615(0.11)

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The spectra of the purified laccases have maxima of 615 nm and 275, with the ratio of absorbance at 275 nm to that at 615 nm being 16, indicating one Type I Cu per subunit. The ratio of absorbance at 330nm to that at 615nm is 1.0, close to the 0.75 value of *Rhus vernicefera* laccase, suggesting the presence of one Type II and two Type III copper ions per subunit. The extinction coefficient determined by amino acid analysis is 1.71/(g*cm),

3. Activity

The laccase activity is measured by syringaldazine and ABTS oxidations. Expressed per A_{275} , the laccase has a value of 83 for LACU. Expressed per mg, it has a LACU of 141. The pH profile of the laccase is provided in Figure 9.

25 V. USE OF POLYPORUS LACCASE TO DYE HAIR

The dyeing effect of *Polyporus pinsitus* laccase is tested and compared to the dyeing effect of 3% H_2O_2 on various dye precursors (listed below) and further on 0.1% p-phenylenediamine compared with a number of modifiers.

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Materials:

Dve precursors:

0.1 % p-phenylene-diamine in 0.1 M K-phosphate buffer, pH 7.0.(pPD)

- 0.1 % p-toluylene-diamine in 0.1 M K-phosphate buffer, pH 7.0.
- 0.1 % chloro-p-phenylenediamine in 0.1 M K-phosphate buffer, pH 7.0.
- 5 0.1 % p-aminophenol in 0.1 M K-phosphate buffer, pH 7.0.
 - 0.1 % o-aminophenol in 0.1 M K-phosphate buffer, pH 7.0.
 - 0.1 % 3,4-diaminotoluene in 0.1 M K-phosphate, buffer pH 7.0.

10 Modifiers:

- 0.1 % m-phenylene-diamine in 0.1 M K-phosphate buffer, pH 7.0.
- 0.1 % 2,4-diaminoanisole in 0,1 M K-phosphate buffer, pH 7.0.
- 15 0.1 % α -naphthol in 0.1 M K-phosphate buffer, pH 7.0.
 - 0.1 % hydroquinone in 0.1 M K-phosphate buffer, pH 7.0.
 - 0.1 % pyrocatechol in 0.1 M K-phosphate buffer, pH 7.0.
 - 0.1% resorcinol in 0.1 M K-phosphate buffer, pH 7.0.
- 0.1 % 4-chlororesorcinol in 0.1 M K-phosphate buffer, pH 20 7.0.

When a modifier is used, the dye precursor p-phenylenediamine is combined with one of the above indicated modifiers so that the final concentration in the dyeing

- solution is 0.1 % with respect to precursor and 0.1 % with respect to modifier. The enzyme used is a recombinant laccase from *Polyporus pinisitus*, at a concentration of 10 LACU/ml.
- Other solutions used in the process are $3\% H_2O_2$ (in the final dye solution), and a commercial shampoo.

The quantitative color of the hair tresses is determined on a Datacolor Textflash 2000 (CIE-Lab) by the use of

CIE-Lab parameters L* ("0"=black and "100"=white) combined with a* ("-"=green and "+"=red). DL* and Da* are the delta values of L* and a*, respectively, of a sample when compared to L* and a* of untreated hair. The Light fastness is determined under a day light bulb (D65) at 1000 LUX.

Hair tresses of blond European hair (1 gram) are used.

4 ml dye precursor solution (including modifier) is mixed with 1 ml laccase or 1 ml H₂O₂ on a Whirley mixer, applied to

10 the hair tresses and kept at 30°C for 60 minutes. The hair tresses are then rinsed with running water, combed, and air dried.

The results of the dyeing effect test are displayed below in Table 4-6 and further in the graphs in Figures 10 to 12.

Table 4

Sample no.	Sample ID	L*	a*	DL*	Da*
	Untreated blond hair	72.25	2.42		
1	p-phenylenediamine (Reference)	62.85	4.03	-9.41	1,61
2	p-phenylenediamine + Laccase	28.70	0.33	-43.56	-2,10
3	p-phenylenediamine + 3% H_2O_2	21.88	2.04	-50.37	-0,39
4	p-Toluylenediamine (Reference)	58.14	4.34	-14.11	1.92
5	p-Toluylenediamine + Laccase	36.70	8.09	-35.56	5.67
6	p-Toluylenediamine + 3% H_2O_2	42.30	6.24	-29.95	3.81
7	chloro-p-phenylenediamine (Reference)	69.82	3.23	-2.43	0.81
8	chloro-p-phenylenediamine + Laccase	35.58	9.36	-36.68	6.93
9	chloro-p-phenylenediamine + $3 \% \text{ H}_2\text{O}_2$	45.42	9.59	-26.84	7.17
10	p-aminophenol (Reference)	66.62	5.03	-5.63	2.61
11	p-aminophenol + Laccase	42,42	7.38	-29,84	4.95
12	p-aminophenol + 3% H ₂ O ₂	50.54	9.42	-21.72	7.26
13	o-aminophenol (Reference)	69.39	4.82	-2.89	2.39
14	o-aminophenol + Laccase	60.20	12.92	-12.05	10.50
15	o-aminophenol + 3% H ₂ O ₂	63.49	10.38	-8.77	7.96
16	3,4-diaminotoluene (Reference)	69.62	3.57	-2.63	1.15
17	3,4-diaminotoluene + Laccase	39.51	3.15	-32.74	0.73
18	3,4-diaminotoluene + 3% H ₂ O ₂	59.32	4.16	-12.94	1.74

L*: 0=black, 100=white a*: -=green, +=red

Table 5

Sample no.	Sample ID	L*	a*	DL*	Da*
	Untreated blond hair	72.25	2.42		
19	p-phenylenediamine+ m- phenylenediamin (Reference)	58.82	0.43	-13,44	-1,99
20	p-phenylenediamine + m-phenylenediamin + Laccase	27.20	0.83	-45,05	-1,59
21	p-phenylenediamine + m-phenylenediamine + 3% H2O2	16.96	0.13	-55,29	-2,59
22	p-phenylenediamine + 2,4 - diaminoanisole (Reference)	35.37	-0.02	-36,89	-2,45
23	p-phenylenediamine + 2,4 - diaminoanisole + Laccase	24.56	2.99	-47,70	0,57
24	p-phenylenediamine + 2,4-diaminoanisole + 3% H2O2	15.06	2.21	-57,20	-0,21
25	p-phenylenediamine + α-naphthol (Reference)	54.33	2.54	-17,93	0,12
26	p-phenylenediamine + α-naphthol + Laccase	29.53	4.03	-42,72	1,60
27	p-phenylenediamine + α-naphthol + 3% H2O2	19.58	3.90	-52,68	1,47
28	p-phenylenediamine + hydroquinone (Reference)	53.25	4.08	-19,01	1,65
29	p-phenylenediamine + hydroquinone + Laccase	40.48	5.00	-31,77	2,58
30	p-phenylenediamine + hydroquinone + 3% H2O2	29.06	4.96	-43,20	2,53

L*: 0=black, 100=white a*: -=green, +=red

Table 6

Sample no.	Sample ID	L*	a*	DL*	Da*
	Untreated blond hair	72.25	2.42		
31	p-phenylenediamine + pyrocatechol (Reference)	53.78	1.68	-18.47	-0.74
32	p-phenylenediamine + pyrocatechol + Laccase	30.77	2.64	-41.49	0.22
33	p-phenylenediamine + pyrocatechol + 3% H ₂ O ₂	22.15	3.30	-50.11	0.88
34	p-phenylenediamine + resorcinol (Reference)	62.12	4.23	-10.14	1.81
35	p-phenylenediamine + resorcinol + Laccase	36.14	2.91	-36.11	0.49
36	p-phenylenediamine + resorcinol + 3% H ₂ O ₂	23.94	3.16	-48.31	0.74
40	p-phenylenediamine + 4-chlororesorcinol (Reference)	61.18	4.70	-11.07	2.28
41	p-phenylenediamine + 4-chlororesorcinol + Laccase	36.00	2.76	-36.26	0.34
42	p-phenylenediamine + 4-chlororesorcinol + 3% H ₂ O ₂	22.63	2.60	-49.63	0.18

L*: 0=black, 100=white a*: -=green, +=red

The oxidative hair dyeing is carried out as described above, except that 50 LACU/ml *Polyporus pinsitus* laccase was used.

To test wash stability, the dyed hair tresses are wetted and washed for 15 seconds with 50 µl of commercial shampoo, and rinsed with water for 1 minute. The hair tresses are washed up to 20 times.

The results of the hair wash test are displayed in figure 13. It can be seen in figure 13 that the wash stability of hair washed up to 20 times is excellent, when using *Polyporus pinsitus* laccase for oxidative dyeing.

To test light fastness, tresses of blond european hair are used for testing the light fastness of hair dyed using Polyporus pinsitus laccase in comparison to hair dyed using H₂O₂. p-phenylene-diamine is the dye precursor. The dyeing of the hair is carried out as described above. One hair tress is kept dark, while an other is kept at day light (i.e. under a day light bulb (D65)), at approximately 1000 LUX) for up to 275 hours. The CIE-Lab-values are determined immediately after the dyeing of the hair, and further during exposure to day light.

The results of the test are displayed in figure 14. Figure 14 shows that the hair dyed with p-phenylene-diamine using *Polyporus pinsitus* laccase has the same light fastness as hair dyed using H_2O_2 .

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Deposit of Biological Materials

The following biological materials have been deposited under the terms of the Budapest Treaty with the Agricultural Research Service Patent Culture Collection, Northern Regional Research Center, 1815 University Street, Peoria,

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	E. coli DH5α containing	NRRL B-21263
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	pDSY23(41GEN; an ~4.5 kb MluI insert;	
	insert contains a small portion of the	
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	E. coli XL-1 Blue containing	NRRL B-21264
	pDSY21(31GEN; an ~7.7 kb EcoRI/BamHI	
	insert)	
	E. coli XL-1 Blue containing	NRRL B-21265
15	pDSY18(21GEN; an ~8.0 kb BamHI insert)	
	E. $coli$ DH5 α containing	NRRL B-21266
	pDSY19(23GEN; an ~4 kb HindIII insert)	
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Pro Gly Ser Pro Thr Pro Gly Gly Val Asp Lys Ala Leu Asn Leu 335 GCG TTT AAC TTC GTAAGTATCT CTACTACTTA GGCTGGAGGC TCGTCGCTGA Ala Phe Asn Phe 350 TCATACGGTG CTTCAG AAC GGC ACC AAC TTC TTC ATC AAC AAC GCG ACT Asn Gly Thr Asn Phe Phe Ile Asn Asn Ala Thr 355 TTC ACG CCG CCG ACC GTC CCG GTA CTC CTC CAG ATT CTG AGC GGT GCG Phe Thr Pro Pro Thr Val Pro Val Leu Leu Gln Ile Leu Ser Gly Ala	1912 1961
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CGC Arg	GAC Asp	GTC Val 445	GTG Val	AGC Ser	ACG Thr	GGC	ACG Thr 450	CCC Pro	GCC Ala	GCG Ala	GGC Gly	GAC Asp 455	AAC Asn	GTC Val	ACG Thr	230	6
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:4:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 519 amino acids (B) TYPE: amino acid

 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein
- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:4:

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Arg Ser Leu Ala Ala Ile Gly Pro Val Ala Ser Leu Val Val Ala Asn

Ala Pro Val Ser Pro Asp Gly Phe Leu Arg Asp Ala Ile Val Val Asn 35 40

Gly Val Val Pro Ser Pro Leu Ile Thr Gly Lys Lys Gly Asp Arg Phe 50 60

Gln Leu Asn Val Val Asp Thr Leu Thr Asn His Ser Met Leu Lys Ser 65 70 75 80

Thr Ser Ile His Trp His Gly Phe Phe Gln Ala Gly Thr Asn Trp Ala

Glu Gly Pro Ala Phe Val Asn Gln Cys Pro Ile Ala Ser Gly His Ser 105 110

Phe Leu Tyr Asp Phe His Val Pro Asp Gln Ala Gly Thr Phe Trp Tyr 120

His Ser His Leu Ser Thr Gln Tyr Cys Asp Gly Leu Arg Gly Pro Phe Val Val Tyr Asp Pro Lys Asp Pro His Ala Ser Arg Tyr Asp Val Asp Asn Glu Ser Thr Val Ile Thr Leu Thr Asp Trp Tyr His Thr Ala Ala Arg Leu Gly Pro Lys Phe Pro Leu Gly Ala Asp Ala Thr Leu Ile Asn Gly Leu Gly Arg Ser Ala Ser Thr Pro Thr Ala Ala Leu Ala Val Ile Asn Val Gln His Gly Lys Arg Tyr Arg Phe Arg Leu Val Ser Ile Ser 210 215 Cys Asp Pro Asn Tyr Thr Phe Ser Ile Asp Gly His Asn Leu Thr Val Ile Glu Val Asp Gly Ile Asn Ser Gln Pro Leu Leu Val Asp Ser Ile 245 • 250 255 Gln Ile Phe Ala Ala Gln Arg Tyr Ser Phe Val Leu Asn Ala Asn Gln Thr Val Gly Asn Tyr Trp Val Arg Ala Asn Pro Asn Phe Gly Thr Val Gly Phe Ala Gly Gly Ile Asn Ser Ala Ile Leu Arg Tyr Gln Gly Ala 295 Pro Val Ala Glu Pro Thr Thr Gln Thr Pro Ser Val Ile Pro Leu 305 310 315 320 310 Ile Glu Thr Asn Leu His Pro Leu Ala Arg Met Pro Val Pro Gly Ser Pro Thr Pro Gly Gly Val Asp Lys Ala Leu Asn Leu Ala Phe Asn Phe 340 345 Asn Gly Thr Asn Phe Phe Ile Asn Asn Ala Thr Phe Thr Pro Pro Thr Val Pro Val Leu Leu Gln Ile Leu Ser Gly Ala Gln Thr Ala Gln Asp Leu Leu Pro Ala Gly Ser Val Tyr Pro Leu Pro Ala His Ser Thr Ile Glu Ile Thr Leu Pro Ala Thr Ala Leu Ala Pro Gly Ala Pro His Pro Phe His Leu His Gly His Ala Phe Ala Val Val Arg Ser Ala Gly Ser Thr Thr Tyr Asn Tyr Asn Asp Pro Ile Phe Arg Asp Val Val Ser Thr Gly Thr Pro Ala Ala Gly Asp Asn Val Thr Ile Arg Phe Gln Thr Asp Asn Pro Gly Pro Trp Phe Leu His Cys His Ile Asp Phe His Leu Asp Ala Gly Phe Ala Ile Val Phe Ala Glu Asp Val Ala Asp Val Lys Ala

Ala Asn Pro Val Pro Lys Ala Trp Ser Asp Leu Cys Pro Ile Tyr Asp 505 500

Gly Leu Ser Glu Ala Asn Gln 515

- (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 5:
 - (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 3102 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
 - (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)
 - . (vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:
 - (A) ORGANISM: Polyporus pinsitus
 - (ix) FEATURE:
 - (A) NAME/KEY: intron
 - (B) LOCATION: 666..720
 - (ix) FEATURE:

 - (A) NAME/KEY: intron (B) LOCATION: 790..845
 - (ix) FEATURE:

 - (A) NAME/KEY: intron
 (B) LOCATION: 1125..1182
 - (ix) FEATURE:

 - (A) NAME/KEY: intron
 (B) LOCATION: 1390..1450
 - (ix) FEATURE:

 - (A) NAME/KEY: intron
 (B) LOCATION: 1607..1661
 - (ix) FEATURE:
 - (A) NAME/KEY: intron
 - (B) LOCATION: 1863..1918
 - (ix) FEATURE:

 - (A) NAME/KEY: intron
 (B) LOCATION: 1976..2025
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 - (A) NAME/KEY: intron
 - (B) LOCATION: 2227..2285
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 - (A) NAME/KEY: intron
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 - (ix) FEATURE:

 - (A) NAME/KEY: intron
 (B) LOCATION: 2576..2627
 - (ix) FEATURE:
 - (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
 - (B) LOCATION: join (665..721, 789..846, 1124..1183, 1389..1451, 1606..1662, 1862..1919, 1975..2026, 2226..2286, 2402..2459, 2575..2628).
 - (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 5:

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GTT AAC AAG GTC ATC GCC CCG GAT GGC GTC GCT CGT GAT ACA GTC CTC Val Asn Lys Val Ile Ala Pro Asp Gly Val Ala Arg Asp Thr Val Leu 35 40	623
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 6

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 (A) LENGTH: 512 amino acids
 (B) TYPE: amino acid
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: single

- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein
- (vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:
 (A) ORGANISM: Polyporus pinsitus
- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 6:

Met Ser Phe Ser Ser Leu Arg Arg Ala Leu Val Phe Leu Gly Ala Cys
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Ser Ser Ala Leu Ala Ser Ile Gly Pro Val Thr Glu Leu Asp Ile Val 20 25 30

Asn Lys Val Ile Ala Pro Asp Gly Val Ala Arg Asp Thr Val Leu Ala 35 40 45

Gly Gly Thr Phe Pro Gly Pro Leu Ile Thr Gly Lys Lys Gly Asp Asn 50 55 60

Phe Arg Ile Asn Val Val Asp Lys Leu Val Asn Gln Thr Met Leu Thr 65 70 80

Ser Thr Thr Ile His Trp His Gly Met Phe Gln His Thr Thr Asn Trp 85 90 95

Ala Asp Gly Pro Ala Phe Val Thr Gln Cys Pro Ile Thr Thr Gly Asp 100 105 110

Asp Phe Leu Tyr Asn Phe Arg Val Pro Asp Gln Thr Gly Thr Tyr Trp 115 120 125

Tyr His Ser His Leu Ala Leu Gln Tyr Cys Asp Gly Leu Arg Gly Pro 130 135 140

Leu Val Ile Tyr Asp Pro His Asp Pro Gln Ala Tyr Leu Tyr Asp Val 145 150 155 160

Asp Asp Glu Ser Thr Val Ile Thr Leu Ala Asp Trp Tyr His Thr Pro 165 170 175

Ala Pro Leu Leu Pro Pro Ala Ala Thr Leu Ile Asn Gly Leu Gly Arg 180 185 190

Trp Pro Gly Asn Pro Thr Ala Asp Leu Ala Val Ile Glu Val Gln His 195 200 205

Gly Lys Arg Tyr Arg Phe Arg Leu Val Ser Thr Ser Cys Asp Pro Asn 210 215 220

Tyr Asn Phe Thr Ile Asp Gly His Thr Met Thr Ile Ile Glu Ala Asp 225 230 235 240

Gly Gln Asn Thr Gln Pro His Gln Val Asp Gly Leu Gln Ile Phe Ala 245 250 Leu Gln Ile Phe Ala

Ala Gln Arg Tyr Ser Phe Val Leu Asn Ala Asn Gln Ala Val Asn Asn 260 265 270

Tyr Trp Ile Arg Ala Asn Pro Asn Arg Ala Asn Thr Thr Gly Phe Ala 275 280 285

Asn Gly Ile Asn Ser Ala Ile Leu Arg Tyr Lys Gly Ala Pro Ile Lys 290 295 300

Glu Pro Thr Thr Asn Gln Thr Thr Ile Arg Asn Phe Leu Trp Glu Thr 305 310 315 320

Asp Leu His Pro Leu Thr Asp Pro Arg Ala Pro Gly Leu Pro Phe Lys 325 330 335

Gly Gly Val Asp His Ala Leu Asn Leu Asn Leu Thr Phe Asn Gly Ser 340 345 350

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410

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:7:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 2860 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ix) FEATURE:
 - (A) NAME/KEY: intron
 - (B) LOCATION: 851..905
- (ix) FEATURE:
 - (A) NAME/KEY: intron
 - (B) LOCATION: 1266..1320
- (ix) FEATURE:
 - (A) NAME/KEY: intron
 - (B) LOCATION: 1351..1376
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 - (B) LOCATION: 1416..1468
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 - (B) LOCATION: 1625..1683
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 - (B) LOCATION: 1882..1934

(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: intron
(B) LOCATION: 2202..2252

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(A) NAME/KEY: intron
(B) LOCATION: 2370..2425

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(A) NAME/KEY: intron
(B) LOCATION: 2543..2599

(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: CDS
(B) LOCATION: join(540..725, 782..850, 906..1025, 1086..1265, 1321..1350, 1377..1415, 1469..1624, 1684..1881, 1935..2201, 2253..2369, 2426..2542, 2600..2653)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:7:

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90	

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 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)
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What we claim is:

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1. A DNA construct containing a sequence encoding a *Polyporus* laccase.

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- 2. The construct of Claim 1 which comprises a sequence encoding a *Polyporus pinsitus* laccase.
- 3. The construct of Claim 1 which comprises a nucleic acid sequence encoding the amino acid sequence depicted in SEQ ID NO. 2.
 - 4. The construct of Claim 1, which comprises the nucleic acid sequence depicted in SEQ ID NO. 1.

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- 5. The construct of Claim 1 which comprises a nucleic acid sequence encoding the amino acid sequence depicted in SEQ ID NO. 4.
- 20 6. The construct of Claim 1, which comprises the nucleic acid sequence depicted in SEQ ID NO. 3.
- 7. The construct of Claim 1 which comprises a nucleic acid sequence encoding the amino acid sequence depicted in SEQ ID NO. 6.
 - 8. The construct of Claim 1, which comprises the nucleic acid sequence depicted in SEQ ID NO. 5.
- 30 9. The construct of Claim 1 which comprises a nucleic acid sequence encoding the amino acid sequence depicted in SEQ ID NO. 8.

- 10. The construct of Claim 1, which comprises the nucleic acid sequence depicted in SEQ ID NO. 7.
- 11. The construct of Claim 1 which comprises a nucleic acid sequence encoding the amino acid sequence depicted in SEQ ID NO. 10.
 - 12. The construct of Claim 1, which comprises the nucleic acid sequence depicted in SEQ ID NO. 9.

- 13. The construct of Claim 1, which comprises the nucleic acid sequence selected from those contained in NRRL B-21263, 21264, 21265, 21266, 21267, and 21268.
- 15 14. A substantially pure Polyporus laccase enzyme.
 - 15. The enzyme of Claim 14 which is a *Polyporus pinsitus* laccase.
- 20 16. The enzyme of Claim 14 which comprises the amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of the sequences depicted in SEQ ID NOS. 4, 6, 8, and 10 or a sequence with at least about 80% homology thereto.
- 25 17. A recombinant vector comprising an DNA construct containing a sequence encoding a *Polyporus* laccase.
 - 18. The vector of Claim 17 in which the construct is operably linked to a promoter sequence.

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19. The vector of Claim 18 in which the promoter is a fungal or yeast promoter.

- 20. The vector of Claim 19 in which the promoter is the TAKA amylase promoter of Aspergillus oryzae.
- 21. The vector of Claim 18 in which the promoter is the glucoamylase (glaA) promoter of Aspergillus niger or Aspergillus awamori.
 - 22. The vector of Claim 17 which also comprises a selectable marker.

- 23. The vector of Claim 22 in which the selectable marker is selected from the group consisting of amdS, pyrG, argB, niaD, sC, trpC and hygB.
- 15 24. The vector of Claim 22 in which the selectable marker is the amdS marker of Aspergillus nidulans or Aspergillus oryzae, or the pyrG marker of Aspergillus nidulans, Aspergillus niger, Aspergillus awamori, or Aspergillus oryzae.

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- 25. The vector of Claim 18 which comprises both the TAKA amylase promoter of Aspergillus oryzae and the amdS or pyrG marker of Aspergillus nidulans or Aspergillus oryzae.
- 25 26. A recombinant host cell comprising a heterologous DNA construct containing a sequence encoding a *Polyporus* laccase.
 - 27. The cell of Claim 26 which is a fungal cell.

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- 28. The cell of Claim 27 which is an Aspergillus cell.
- 29. The cell of Claim 26 in which the construct is integrated into the host cell genome.

- 30. The cell of Claim 26 in which the construct is contained on a vector.
- 5 31. The cell of Claim 26 which comprises a construct containing a sequence encoding an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of those depicted in SEQ ID NOS. 2, 4, 6, 8, and 10.
- 10 32. A method for obtaining a laccase enzyme which comprises culturing a recombinant host cell comprising a DNA construct containing a nucleic acid sequence encoding a *Polyporus* laccase enzyme, under conditions conducive to expression of the enzyme, and recovering the enzyme from the culture.

- 33. A method for obtaining a laccase enzyme which comprises culturing a recombinant Aspergillus host cell comprising a DNA construct containing a nucleic acid sequence encoding a Polyporus-like laccase enzyme, under conditions conducive to expression of the enzyme, and recovering the enzyme from the culture.
 - 34. A Polyporus enzyme obtained by the method of Claim 33.
- 25 35. A method for polymerizing a lignin or lignosulfate substrate in solution which comprises contacting the substrate with a *Polyporus* laccase.
- 36. A method for in situ depolymerization in Kraft pulp which comprises contacting the pulp with a *Polyporus* laccase.

- 37. A method for oxidizing dyes or dye precursors which comprises contacting the dye or dye precursor with a *Polyporus* laccase.
- 38. A method for dyeing hair which comprises contacting a *Polyporus* laccase, in the presence or absence of at least one modifier, with at least one dye precursor, for a time and under conditions sufficient to permit oxidation of the dye precursor to a dye.

- 39. The method of claim 38 in which the dye precursor is selected from the group consisting of a diamine, aminophenol, and a phenol.
- 15 40. The method of claim 38, wherein the modifier, when used, is a meta-diamine, a meta-aminophenol or a polyphenol.
- 41. The method of claim 38 in which the dye precursor is a primary intermediate selected from the group consisting of 20 an ortho- or para-diamine or aminophenol.
 - 42. The method of claim 38 in which more than one dye precursor is used.
- 25 43. The method of claim 38 in which more than one modifier is used.
 - 44. The method of claim 38 in which both a primary intermediate and a modifier are used.

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45. A dye composition comprising a *Polyporus* laccase combined with at least one dye precursor.

- 46. A dye composition comprising a *Polyporus* laccase combined with at least one primary intermediate and at least one modifier.
- 5 47. A container containing a dye composition comprising a *Polyporus* laccase and at least one dye precursor in an oxygen-free atmosphere.
- 48. The container of claim 47 which contains at least one primary intermediate dye precusor combined with at least one modifier.
- 49. A method of polymerizing or oxidizing a phenolic or aniline compound which comprises contacting the phenolic or aniline compound with a *Polyporus* laccase.

10	20	30	40	50	60	70
AGATTTCTGA CACCG	GTG <u>CA A</u> TCT1	IGACAC TGT	ACCAACC GGG	CAAGTCT CGTC	CTTGGT TCTCG	GGGAC
80	90	100	110	120	130	140
TGGCGCCGGT CGCTA	CCCCT TGGT(CATTCA CTC	TACCAGA GCG	CTGGCTT CGCO	GAGG <u>TA</u> <u>TAAA</u> G	GATGT
150	160	170	180	190	200	210
TGCGCGACAC CCTCA	ACACC CÇAA(CTCAAG CCC	CACTTGA GCT	TTTGCGA GATC	CTCCAC ATACC	ACTCA
220	230	239	248	257	266	
CTACTITICAA GTTC1				TT CTC GCT T eu Leu Ala P		
275 .	284	293	302	311	320	ı
GCT TCC CTT ACG Ala Ser Leu Thr						
329	338	347	356	365	374	
ATC ACC AAC GCA						
383	392	401	410)	423 4	33
AAC GGC GGC ACC Asn Gly Gly Thr					TCG GCTCGC <u>AC</u>	<u>TA</u>
443	453	463	473	482	491	
GGGGGTTGTA TCGT	ICCTGA CGTT			TTC CAG CTC Phe GIn Leu		
500	509	518	527	,	543	553
GAC AAC CTT ACC Asp Asn Leu Thr					AGCTGCT ATTT	CTCCGG

FIG.1A 1/38

	56	3		573	,		583		5	92		(501		(510		
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						GGT												
Gly	Thr	Asn	Trp	Alo	Asp	Gly	Pro	AIG	Phe	116	Asn	Gin	Cys	Pro	116	Ser	Ser	
	673			682			691			700			709			i	720	
GGT	CAC	TCG	TTC	CTG	TAC	GAC	TTC	CAG	GTT	CCT	GAC	CAG	GCT	G	GTA	AGTA	CGG	
						Asp												
	730			740			750			760			77(0		77	9	
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						CAG G I n												
							•	•					·					
		842			851			860			869			878	_			889
						GCC										-	AGGA	ACGA
Tyr	Asp	Pro	Asn	Asp	Pro	Ala	Ala	Asp	Leu	lyr	Asp	Val	Asp	Asn	Asp			
	. 1	B99		9	09		91	9		929			9	40		9	49	
ATT	CGAA	CCC .	TAAA	TACT	tg c	TTAC	TGAT	A CT	тста	GATG	AAT	TAG		AC A				
		958			967			976	,		985	l		994				1009
ACC															TTO		0 T.	ACTOCAT
Thr	CH	GIG	GAI	IGG	TAC	CAC	GIC	GCC	GCG	aag	CIG	GGC	. 666	GCA	110		GIA	AGTCCAT

FIG.1B

	1019	}	1	029		10	39		104	19			100	50		106	59	
GAG1	TATT(CTG C	CTGTT	[GAA]	IC TO	STCT	[AAC]	CTC	CATA	ATCA	G T				GAC Asp			
	•	1078		•	1087		1	1096		•	1105		•	1114		•	123	
						CGC Arg												
	•	1132		•	1141				11	156		11(56		1176	5	1	1186
						AAA Lys		GTA	IGCT/	ATA '	TCTT	ATCT	TA TO	CTGA	TGGC/	A TTI	CTC	[GAG
	1	196			13	207		12	216		12	225		1:	234			
ACA	TCT	CCA (•			TTC (
1243		1	1252			1261		•	1270			1279			1288			
						CAC His												
1297		1	306			1315			1324		•	1333			1342			
						GAC Asp												
1351			1,	364	,	137	74		1384	4		1394		14	404			
TTC Phe		GTA	AGTT(CGA '	TTCA	TCCT(CT A	ACGT'	TGGT(C GC	TGTT	AGTG	ATC	TAT	GGT (CATGI	TAG	
1414		. 1	1423			1432			1441		•	1450			1459			
						GTC Val												

FIG.1C

1468		• 1	477		1	486		•	495		1	1504		•	1513		
														ccc			
Gly	Asn	Val	Gly	Phe	ihr	Gly	Gly	lle	Asn	Ser	Ala	He	Leu	Arg	lyr	Asp	Gly
1522		1	1531		1	1540		•	1549		•	1558		•	1567		
														\overline{ccc}			
Alo	Ala	Ala	Val	Glu	Pro	Thr	Thr	Thr	Gin	Thr	Thr	Ser	Thr	Ala	Pro	Leu	Asn
1576		•	1585		1	1594		,	1603				10	619		162	29
GAG	GTC	AAC	CTG	CAC	CCG	CTG	GTT	ACC	ACC	GCT	GTG	GTA [*]	IGTA	ATA .	TTGT	CGGTA	\ A
Glu	Val	Asn	Leu	His	Pro	Leu	Val	Thr	Thr	Alo	Val						
	16	539		164	1 9		1659	9		16	69		16	78		168	37
TGT	AATA(CAT '	IGTT	GCTG/	<u>AC_</u> C	TCGA	CCCC	C AC						TC GO			
	•	1696		,	1705			1714			1723			1732		•	1741
GTC								_						1732 AAC	TTC		
	GAC	CTG	GCC	ATC	AAC	ATG	GCG	TTC	AAC	TTC	AAC	GGC	ACC			TTC	ATC
	GAC Asp	CTG	GCC Alo	ATC Ile	AAC	ATG MET	GCG Ala	TTC Phe	AAC	TTC Phe	AAC	GGC Gly	ACC Thr	AAC		TTC Phe	ATC
Val	GAC Asp	CTG Leu 1750	GCC	ATC Ile	AAC Asn 1759	ATG MET	GCG Ala	TTC Phe 1768	AAC Asn	TTC Phe	AAC Asn 1777	GGC	ACC Thr	AAC Asn	Phe	TTC Phe	ATC lle 1795
Vol	GAC Asp	CTG Leu 1750 ACG	GCC Alo	ATC I le	AAC Asn 1759 ACG	ATG MET	GCG Ala	TTC Phe 1768	AAC Asn GTG	TTC Phe	AAC Asn 1777 GTC	GGC GTy	ACC Thr	AAC Asn 1786	Phe ATC	TTC Phe	ATC 11e 1795 AGC
Vol	GAC Asp GGC GIy	CTG Leu 1750 ACG	GCC Alo TCT Ser	ATC Ile	AAC Asn 1759 ACG	ATG MET	GCG Ala CCG Pro	TTC Phe 1768	AAC Asn GTG Val	TTC Phe	AAC Asn 1777 GTC	GGC Gly CTG Leu	ACC Thr CTC Leu	AAC Asn 1786 CAG	ATC I le	TTC Phe ATC	ATC 11e 1795 AGC
AAC Asn	GAC Asp GGC GIy	CTG Leu 1750 ACG Thr	GCC Ala TCT Ser	ATC I le	AAC Asn 1759 ACG Thr 1813	ATG MET	GCG Ala CCG Pro	TTC Phe 1768 ACC Thr	AAC Asn GTG Val	TTC Phe	AAC Asn 1777 GTC Vol 1831	GGC Gly CTG Leu	ACC Thr CTC Leu	AAC Asn 1786 CAG GIn	ATC I le	TTC Phe ATC	ATC 11e 1795 AGC Ser 1849
AAC Asn	GAC Asp GGC GIy	CTG Leu 1750 ACG Thr 1804	GCC Ala TCT Ser	ATC I le TTC Phe	AAC Asn 1759 ACG Thr 1813	ATG MET	GCG Ala CCG Pro	TTC Phe 1768 ACC Thr 1822	AAC Asn GTG Vol	TTC Phe	AAC Asn 1777 GTC Vol 1831 GGT	GGC Gly CTG Leu	ACC Thr CTC Leu	AAC Asn 1786 CAG GIn 1840	ATC I le	TTC Phe ATC I I e	ATC The 1795 AGC Ser 1849
AAC Asn	GAC Asp GGC Gly GCG Alo	CTG Leu 1750 ACG Thr 1804	GCC Alo TCT Ser AAC Asn	ATC I le TTC Phe	AAC Asn 1759 ACG Thr 1813	ATG MET CCC Pro	GCG Ala CCG Pro	TTC Phe 1768 ACC Thr 1822	AAC Asn GTG Val	TTC Phe CCT Pro TCC Ser	AAC Asn 1777 GTC Vol 1831 GGT	GGC Gly CTG Leu AGC Ser	ACC Thr CTC Leu GTC Val	AAC Asn 1786 CAG GIn 1840 TAC	ATC I le	TTC Phe ATC I le	ATC The 1795 AGC Ser 1849
AAC Asn GGC Gly	GAC Asp GGC GIy GCG Alo	CTG Leu 1750 ACG Thr 1804 CAG GIn 1858	GCC Ala TCT Ser AAC Asn	ATC I le TTC Phe GCG Alo	AAC Asn 1759 ACG Thr 1813 CAG GIn 1867 GAG	ATG MET CCC Pro GAC Asp	GCG Alo CCG Pro CTC Leu	TTC Phe 1768 ACC Thr 1822 CTG Leu 1876	AAC Asn GTG Vol CCC Pro	TTC Phe CCT Pro TCC Ser	AAC Asn 1777 GTC Vol 1831 GGT Gly 1885 ACC	GGC Gly CTG Leu AGC Ser	ACC Thr CTC Leu GTC Val	AAC Asn 1786 CAG GIn 1840 TAC Tyr	ATC I I e TCG Ser	TTC Phe ATC I le CTT Leu GGT	ATC 11e 1795 AGC Ser 1849 CCC Pro

FIG.1D

1912	1921	1930	1939	1948	1957
				GTC GTC CGC A	
Pro His Pro	Phe His Leu	His Gly His	Aia Phe Aia	Val Val Arg S	ier Ala Gly
1966	1975	1984	1993	2002	2011
AGC ACC GT	TAC AAC TAC	GAC AAC CCC	ATC TTC CGC	GAC TC GTC A	ACC ACC GGG
Ser Thr Val	Tyr Asn Tyr	Asp Asn Pro	lie Phe Arg	Asp Val Val S	ier Thr Gly
2020	2029	2038	2047	2056	2065
ACG CCT GCG	GCC GGT GAC	AAC GTC ACC	ATC CGC TTC	CGC ACC GAC A	AC CCC GGC
				Arg Thr Asp A	
2074	2083	2092	2101	2110	2119
CCG TGG TTC	CTC CAC TGC	CAC ATC GAC	TTC CAC CTC	GAG GCC GGC T	TC GCC GTC
Pro Trp Phe	Leu His Cys	His lle Asp	Phe His Leu	Glu Alo Gly P	he Ala Val
2128	2137	2146	2155	2164	2173
GTG TTC GCG	GAG GAC ATO	CCC GAC GTC	GCG TCG GCG	AAC CCC GTC C	CC CAG GCG
Val Phe Ala	Glu Asp Ile	Pro Asp Val	Ala Ser Ala	Asn Pro Val P	ro Gin Ala
2182	2191	2200	2209	2218	2231
TGG TCC GAC	CTC TGT CCC	ACC TAC GAC	GCG CTC GAC	CCG AGC GAC C	— *
Trp Ser Asp	Leu Cys Pro	Thr Tyr Asp	Alo Leu Asp	Pro Ser Asp G	iln
2241	2251	2261	2271	2281	2291 2301
GCGCCGGTCG /	ATGATAGGAT A	ATGGACGGTG AG	TTCGCACT TGC	AATACGG ACTCTC	CCCT CATTATGGTT
2311	2321	2331	2341	2351	2361 2371
ACACACTCGC	TCTGGATCTC 1	CCCCTGTCG AC	AGAACAAA CTT	GTATAAT TCGCTT	AATG GTTGAAACAA
2381	2391	2401	2411		
ATGGAATATT (GGGGTACTAT (CACGCATCT CG	CTGGGTGA GCT	TTCGT	·

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10	20	30	40	50	60	70
GCGGCGCACA	AACCGTGGGA	GCCAACACAC	CCCGTCCAC	TCTCACACTG	GCCAGATTCG	CGCGACCGCC
80	90	100	110	120	130	140
GCCTTTCAGG	CCCAAACAGA	TCTGGCAGG1	TTCGATGGCG	CACGCCGCCG	TGCCTGCCGG	ATTCAATTGT
150	160	170	180	190	200	210
GCGCCAGTCG	GCATCCGGA	TGGCTCTACC	AGCGCGGTTG	ACTGGAAGAG	AACACCGAGG	TCATGCATTC
220	230	240	250	260	270	280
TGGCCAAGTG	CGGCCAAAGG	ACCGCTCGCT	GGTGCGGATA	CTTAAAGGCC	GGCGCGGGA	GCCTGTCTA
290	. 300	310	320	330	340	350
CCAAGCTCAA	GCTCGCCTTG	GGTTCCCAG	CTCCCCCACC	CTCCTCTTCC	CCCACACAG1	CGCTCCATAG
360	36	9 :	378	387	396	405
_	SCC ATG GG	T CTG CAG	378 CGA TTC AGC Arg Phe Ser	TTC TTC GTC	ACC CTC GO	CTC
_	SCC ATG GG MET GI	T CTG CAG	OGA TTC AGC	TTC TTC GTC Phe Phe Val	ACC CTC GC	CTC
CACCGTCGGC 414 GTC GCT CGC	GCC ATG GG MET GI	T CTG CAG (y Leu Gln / 23 CA GCC ATC	CGA TTC AGC Arg Phe Ser 432 GGG CCG GTG	TTC TTC GTC Phe Phe Vol 441 GCG AGC CT	ACC CTC GC Thr Leu Al 450 C GTC GTC G	CG CTC Leu 459 GCG AAC
CACCGTCGGC 414 GTC GCT CGC Val Ala Arg	GCC ATG GG MET GI A TCT CTT G Ser Leu A	T CTG CAG (y Leu Gln / 23 CA GCC ATC	CGA TTC AGC Arg Phe Ser 432 GGG CCG GTG Gly Pro Vol	TTC TTC GTC Phe Phe Val 441 GCG AGC CT Ala Ser Le	ACC CTC GC Thr Leu Al 450 C GTC GTC GTC	CG CTC 459 CCG AAC Ala Asn
CACCGTCGGC 414 GTC GCT CGC Vol Ala Arg 468	GCC ATG GG MET GI TCT CTT G Ser Leu A	T CTG CAG G y Leu Gln 23 CA GCC ATC lla Ala lle	GGA TTC AGC Arg Phe Ser 432 GGG CCG GTG Gly Pro Vol 486	TTC TTC GTC Phe Phe Vol 441 GCG AGC CT Ala Ser Le	450 C GTC GTC GTC GU Val Val	459 GCG AAC Ala Asn 513
CACCGTCGGC 414 GTC GCT CGC Vol Ala Arg 468 GCC CCC GTC	GCC ATG GG MET GI TCT CTT G Ser Leu A	T CTG CAG (y Leu Gln / 23 CA GCC ATC Ala Ala lie	CGA TTC AGC Arg Phe Ser 432 GGG CCG GTG Gly Pro Vol	TTC TTC GTC Phe Phe Val 441 GCG AGC CT Ala Ser Le 495 GCC ATC GT	450 C GTC GTC GTC GTC GTC GTC GTC GTC GTC GT	GCG CTC 459 GCG AAC ATa Asn 513
CACCGTCGGC 414 GTC GCT CGC Vol Ala Arg 468 GCC CCC GTC	GCC ATG GG MET GI TCT CTT G Ser Leu A TCG CCC G Ser Pro A	T CTG CAG (y Leu Gln / 23 CA GCC ATC Ala Ala lie	GGA TTC AGC Arg Phe Ser 432 GGG CCG GTG Gly Pro Vol 486 CTT CGG GAT	TTC TTC GTC Phe Phe Val 441 GCG AGC CT Ala Ser Le 495 GCC ATC GT	450 C GTC GTC GTC GTC GTC GTC GTC GTC GTC GT	GCG CTC 459 GCG AAC ATa Asn 513 GGC GTG

FIG.2A 6/38

583	592	601	610	619	628
TGCTGACAGC GATC		_	G CTC AAC GTO		
637	646	655	671	681	691
ACC AAC CAC AGC Thr Asn His Ser		_		IGA CGATCCGA	AT GTGACATCAA
701	711	721	730	739	748
TCGGGGCTAA TTAA			GGC TTC TTC C		
757	766	775	784	793	802
TGG GCA GAA GGA Trp Ala Glu Gly					
811	820	829	,	846	856
TTC CTG TAC GAC				AGCAGGA TTTT	CTGGGG
866	876	886	896	905	914
TCCCCGTGTG ATGC	AATGTT CTCAT	GCTCC GACGTG	TATCG ACAG GG	ACG TTC TGG Thr Phe Trp	
923	932	941	950	959	968
AGT CAT CTG TCT Ser His Leu Ser					
977	986	995	1004 1	013	1024
GAC CCC AAG GAC Asp Pro Lys Asp					CGTGCGC

FIG.2B 7/38

1034	1044	1054	1064	1075	1084
CACGGAGTAT	ATCACACAGC A	TGCGTTGAC GT	CGGGCCAA CAGA	AG AGC ACG GTC Ser Thr Vol	
1093	1102	1111	1120	1129	1141
				CCC AAG TTC CC Pro Lys Phe Pr	
1151	1161	1171	1181	1190	1199
AATGGCTTAG '	TGTTCACAGG T	TCTTTGCTT AT	GTTGCTTC GATA	G A CTC GGC GC Leu Gly Al	
1208	1217	1226	1235	1244	1253
				CCC ACC GCT GC Pro Thr Ala Al	
1262	1271	1280	1292	1302	1312
	GTC CAG CAC Val Gln His		GTGAGCATTC T	CTTGTATGC CATT	TCAATG
1322	1332	1341	1351	1360	1369
CTTTGTGCTG A	ACCTATCGGA A			T CTC GTT TCG	
1378	1387	1396	1405	1414	1423
				AAC CTG ACC GT	
1432	1441	1450	1459	1468	1477
				TCT ATC CAG ATC	
1486	1495	1508	1518	1528	1538
	TAC TCC TTC Tyr Ser Phe		CTG GCTTGTCGA	T GCTCCAAAGT G	GCCTCACTC

	15	48			1559	}		1568	3		1577	7		1586	6				
TATA	TACTI	TC (STTAG	TTG	AAT Asn	GCG	AA1 Asr	CAA Glr	A ACC	GTO	GGG	AAC Asr	TAC	TGC	GTT Val	CGT	;)		
1595		1	1604		1	613		1	622		1	1631		1	1640				
			AAC Asn																
1649		,	1658		1	667		•	1676		1	1685		•	1694				
			CAG Gln																
1703			1712		•	1721			1730		•	1739			1748			1761	
			CTC Leu														GTAT	GTCTCT	
	1	771		178	31		179	1		1801	•	18	311			1821			
TTT	TCTG	ATC .	ATCT(GAGT"	TG CO	CCGT	TGTT	G AC	CGCA	TTAT	GTG [*]	TTAC	TAT (CTAG		GGC Gly			
	1830			1839			1848			1857			1866		•		18	382	
			GGG Gly													GTA	AGTAT	СТ	
	18	892		19	02		191	2		1922		19	931		19	940			
CTA	CTAC	TT G	GCTG	GAGG	C TG	GTCG	CTGA	TCA	TACG	GTG (CTTC								
	1949			1958			1967			1976			Asn (1985	эιу		1994	-116		
			AAC Asn																

FIG.2D 9/38

2	2003		2	2012		2	2021		2	2030		2	2039		2	2048	
															GTC Val		
2	2057		:	2066		2	2075		:	2084			2093		:	2102	
															TTG Leu		
•	211	1		2120)		2129)			:	2145		. 2	155		2165
	•						CTG Leu			GTA [*]	IGTT	CCC (CTGC	CTTC	CC T	CTT	ATCCC
•		175		218			219		. •	220	4		221	3		2222	2
CGA	ACCA	GTG (CTCA	CGTC	CG TO	CCCA.	TCTA								AGO Ser		
															•		
	4	2231		2	2240		:	2249		:	2258		:	2267		2	2276
	AGC	ACC		TAT	AAC	TAC	AAC	GAC		ATC	TTC		GAC	GTC	GTG Val	AGC	ACG
	AGC Ser	ACC	Thr	TAT Tyr	AAC	TAC	AAC Asn	GAC		ATC lle	TTC	Arg	GAC Asp	GTC	GTG Val	AGC Ser	ACG
Gly	AGC Ser	ACC Thr 2285	Thr	TAT Tyr	AAC Asn 2294 GGC	TAC Tyr	AAC ASn	GAC Asp 2303	Pro ACG	ATC I I e	TTC Phe 2312 CGC	Arg	GAC Asp	GTC Vol 2321 ACG	Va I GAC	AGC Ser	ACG Thr 2330
Gly	AGC Ser ACG Thr	ACC Thr 2285	Thr	TAT Tyr GCG Ala	AAC Asn 2294 GGC	TAC Tyr GAC Asp	AAC Asn AAC Asn	GAC Asp 2303	Pro ACG Thr	ATC IIe	TTC Phe 2312 CGC	Arg	GAC Asp CAG GIn	GTC Vol 2321 ACG	Val	AGC Ser AAC Asn	ACG Thr 2330
GIY GGC GIY	AGC Ser ACG Thr	ACC Thr 2285 CCC Pro 2339	Thr GCC Alo	TAT Tyr GCG Ala	AAC Asn 2294 GGC GTy 2348	TAC Tyr GAC Asp	AAC Asn AAC Asn	GAC Asp 2303 GTC Vol 2357	Pro ACG Thr	ATC I le TTC	TTC Phe 2312 CGC Arg 2366 CAC	Arg TTC Phe	GAC Asp CAG GIn	GTC Val 2321 ACG Thr 2375 GCA	GAC Asp	AGC Ser AAC Asn	ACG Thr 2330 CCC Pro 2384 GCG
GIY GGC GIY	AGC Ser ACG Thr	ACC Thr 2285 CCC Pro 2339	GCC Ala TTC Phe	TAT Tyr GCG Ala CTC Leu	AAC Asn 2294 GGC GTy 2348	TAC Tyr GAC Asp	AAC Asn AAC Asn	GAC Asp 2303 GTC Vol 2357 ATC Ile	Pro ACG Thr	ATC I I e ATC I I e TTC Phe	TTC Phe 2312 CGC Arg 2366 CAC	TTC Phe	GAC Asp CAG GIn GAC Asp	GTC Val 2321 ACG Thr 2375 GCA	GAC Asp	AGC Ser AAC Asn TTC Phe	ACG Thr 2330 CCC Pro 2384 GCG
GGC GIy GGG GIy	AGC Ser ACG Thr CCG Pro	ACC Thr 2285 CCC Pro 2339 TGG Trp 2393	GCC Ala TTC Phe	TAT Tyr GCG Ala CTC Leu	AAC Asn 2294 GGC GTy 2348 CAC His GAC	TAC Tyr GAC Asp TGG Cys	AAC Asn CAC His	GAC Asp 2303 GTC Vol 2357 ATC I I e 2411 GAC	ACG Thr GAC Asp	ATC I I e TTC Phe	TTC Phe 2312 CGC Arg 2366 CAC His 2420 GCG	TTC Phe CTC Leu	GAC Asp CAG GIn GAC Asp	GTC Val 2321 ACG Thr 2375 GCA Ala 2429 CCG	GAC Asp	AGC Ser AAC Asn TTC Phe	ACG Thr 2330 CCC Pro 2384 GCG A1 a 2438 AAG

FIG.2E 10/38

2499			2483	- 1		2474	2		2465	2		2456	2		<u>2447</u>	2		
> G TGAGCGGAGG n	 AC CA(Isn G1r																	
2569	2559	2		549	2		2539		}	2529		19	25		509	2		
AATGGTCTTT	TTGA /	GAT	TTCT	STG	GAAG	GTT	OCCG	CCTG	CA	CCCTC	TÇÇÇ	AG C	STAA	GAGC	STG (rggt(GCGT	
2639	29	262 [°]		9	261		09	26		599	2		2589		9	2579		
TGAAGTAACT	'AGGA	ATA	TTGT	GGA	CCGA	GGA	GCAA	CTAC	r CT	CGGTT	AACT	TC T	TAT	GTTG	TTT (TTTA'	GGG	
				689	2		2679		9	2669		59	26		649	2		
				TGT	GAAG	TCC	GGAC	GCAT	G AG	GACGO	AATT	AT C	TGAT	ATTA	TGT	CTAA	TTC	

FIG.2F

10 TTTCCCGACT					50 AACCGAGCG		70 CTCTCTATCC
80 AAGCTGTCCA							140 TGTTTTTCCC
150 ATAGTCGCAT	16 TTGCGCCGC	O C TGTCGGA	170 ACCG ACG	180 CCCCTAG	19 AGCGCTTTG		210 AAGTGGCGGG
220 TGTTATTCGT	23 GTAGACGAG	O A CGGTATI	240 ITGT CTC	250 ATCATTC	26 CCGTGCTTC	0 270 A GGTTGACACA	280 CCCCAAAGGT
290 CTATGTACGG	30 CCCTTCACA	O T TCCCTG/	310 ACAC ATT	320 GACGCAA	33 CCCTCGGTG	0 340 C GCCTCCGACA	350 A GTGCCTCGGT
360 TGTAGTATCG					40 CCAAGGCCC		420 AATACCGAGA
430 GGTCCTACCA					47 CCCTTGCCA	0 480 G CCACAGCTCC	
49	1	500	509		518	527	536
ATG TCC TT MET Ser Ph	C TCT AGC e Ser Ser	CTT CGC	CGT GCC Arg Ala	TTG GTC Leu Vol	TTC CTG G Phe Leu G	GT GCT TGC 7	AGC AGT Ser Ser
54	5	554	563		572	581	590
GCG CTG GC Ala Leu Al	TCC ATC a Ser Ile	GGC CCA	GTC ACT Val Thr	GAG CTC Glu Leu	GAC ATC G Asp Ile V	TT AAC AAG (STC ATC /ol lle
59	9	608	617		626	635	644
						GC ACG TTC (
. 65	i3	662	. 6	575	685	695	705
CCA CTC AT			GTATGCTA	VAG TAGT	ccccc ccc	CATCATCC TGTO	GCTGAC

FIG.3A

715	7	7 26	735	744	753	
GTTCGACGCC					C GAC AAG TTG 1 Asp Lys Leu	
762	771	780	789	799	809	819
AAC CAG ACT Asn Gln Thr				GTATGTCACT	AGCTCTCGCT AT	CTCGAGAC
829	839	848	. .	857	866	875
CCGCTGACCG	ACAACATTTG				C CAG CAT ACG e Gln His Thr	
884	. 89	93	902	911	920	929
					ATC ACC ACT	
938	94	47	956	965	976	986
-				CAG ACA G Gin Thr Gly	GTACGCAAAG G	GCAGCATGC
996	1006	1016	5	1026	1035	1044
GTACTCAAAG	ACATCTCTAA	GCATTTGCTA	A CCTAG		GG TAC CAT AG	
105	3 10	62 1	1071	1080	1089	1098
					GTG ATT TAC Val lie Tyr	
110	7 11	16	1125	1134	1145	1155
				GAT GAC G Asp Asp Glu	GTACGCAGCA C	AGTTTCCCT

FIG.3B

	1165		1175		1185			1198		1207	,			
AAA	ACGGTTA	AÇTT(TAATT	CTGTA	NATAT CT	TCATA	NG AG	AGC A Ser T						
1216	1	225		1234		1243		125	2			12	67	
	_				GCG CCT Ala Pro						GTAC	CCCT	CC	
	1277		1287	•	1297	1	307		1317			13	28	
ACA	CATCTGC	ACAG	CGTTCC	GTATC	TCATA CC	CTTA	A AGT	TTATCG	GACA			TG A		
	1337	7	13	346	1355		1	1364		1373		1	382	
					GGC AAC								_	
	1391				1409		141	19 .	142	9	1	1439		1449
	CAG CAC				TGTCATA	GCTC	GTTA	AT CTAT	TCATA	C TCG	CGGC	CTC	GAAG	CTAAAA
•	1459			1470	1	479		1488	3	14	97			
CCT	TGTTCCA	_			CGA CTG Arg Leu									
1506		1515		1524		1533		154	2	1	551			
					ACC ATG									
1560		1569		1578		1587		159	6	1	605			
					GGA CTT									

FIG.3C

1614	•	627		163	3 7		164	7		1657		1	667			
TTC GTT Phe Val	GTATGT	TTC (CGCA	TTTC	GG G/	AAA(GAA [*]	T TG	CCT	GACA	GCT	CGAG	TGT	GCGT	AG	
1676	1685	•		1694		•	1703			1712			1721			
CTT AAC Leu Asn																
1730	1739)	•	1748		•	1757		,	1766			1775			
GCT AAC Ala Asn																
1784	1793	5		1802		•	1811		•	1820		•	1829			,
GGG GCG Gly Ala													•			
-		•										_				
1838	1847	-		1856		•	1865		,	1874		18	384		189	94
-	1847 ACG GAG	TTG	CAC	1856 CCG		ACT	GAC		CGT	GCA				CACA		
1838 TGG GAG Trp Glu	1847 ACG GAG	TTG Leu	CAC	1856 CCG	Leu	ACT	GAC Asp		CGT Arg	GCA Ala			CTA (CACA(1951		
1838 TGG GAG Trp Glu	ACG GAC Thr Asp	TTG Leu	CAC His	1856 CCG Pro	Leu 1924	ACT Thr	GAC Asp	Pro 1933 CCT	CGT Arg	GCA Alo	GTAA	AGTT(CTA (1951	GGC	
1838 TGG GAG Trp Glu	ACG GAC Thr Asp	TTG Leu	CAC His	1856 CCG Pro	Leu 1924	ACT Thr	GAC Asp	Pro 1933 CCT	CGT Arg	GCA Ala CTT Leu	GTAA	AGTT(CTA (1951 GGG GIy	GGC	
TGG GAG Trp Glu 19	ACG GAC Thr Asp 904 AGC TGTT	TTG Leu 19 GTCTC 1969	CAC His 14 GA T	1856 CCG Pro TGCAC	1924 CTGTC	ACT Thr	GAC Asp ATAG	Pro 1933 CCT Pro 1987 TTC	CGT Arg GGC GIy	GCA Ala CTT Leu	GTA/ 1942 CCT Pro	TTC Phe	AAG Lys-	1951 GGG GTy	GGC GI'y	2017
1838 TGG GAG Trp Glu 19 AACGGTGA 1960 GTT GAC Val Asp	ACG GAC Thr Asp 904 AGC TGTT	TTG Leu 19 GTCTC 1969	CAC His 14 GA T	TGCAC	1924 CTGTC	ACT Thr Thr CTC Leu	GAC Asp ATAG	Pro 1933 CCT Pro 1987 TTC	CGT Arg GGC GIy	GCA Ala CTT Leu	GTA/ 1942 CCT Pro	TTC Phe	AAG Lys-	1951 GGG GTy	GGC GI'y	2017

FIG.3D 15/38

	2	2082		2	2091		2	2100		:	2109		:	2118		:	2127
														ACG Thr			
YUI		2136							0111			лэн	•	2172		•	2181
														GAC Asp			
	2	2190			2199		:	2208		:	2217			2226			2235
	CTC	<u></u>			<u></u>	CCT	CTC	400	<u></u>			<u></u>		TTC	CAT	TTC	<u></u>
														TTC Phe			
		22	248		225	58		2268	3	;	2278		2	288		229	7
GGG Gly	GTA	AAT	ICT (CTCT	TAT	AC T	TTGG	TCTC	C CG/	ATGC:	TGAC	TTT(CACTO	CCT (CATC	rtca(3
ţ	2	2306		:	2315		:	2324		;	2333			2342		;	2351
															TAC		
CAC	GCT	TTC	TCC	GTC	GTG	CGT	AGC	GCC	GGC	AGC	ACC	GAA	TAC	2342 AAC Asn		<u>ccc</u>	AAC
CAC	GCT Ala	TTC	TCC	GTC Val	GTG	CGT	AGC Ser	GCC	GGC Gly	AGC	ACC	GAA Glu	TAC Tyr	AAC		GCG Ala	AAC
CAC His	GCT Ala	TTC Phe 2360	TCC Ser	GTC Val	GTG Val 2369	CGT Arg	AGC Ser	GCC Ala 2378	GGC	AGC Ser	ACC Thr 238	GAA Glu 7	TAC Tyr	AAC Asn	Tyr	GCG Ala	AAC Asn 2405
CAC His	GCT Ala	TTC Phe 2360 AAG	TCC Ser	GTC Val	GTG Vol 2369 ACG	CGT Arg	AGC Ser	GCC Alo 2378	GGC GTy	AGC Ser	ACC Thr 2383	GAA G I u 7 GGC	TAC Tyr	AAC Asn 2396	Tyr GTC	GCG Alo	AAC Asn 2405 GTG
CAC His	GCT Ala GTG Val	TTC Phe 2360 AAG	TCC Ser	GTC Val GAC Asp	GTG Vol 2369 ACG	CGT Arg	AGC Ser	GCC Ala 2378 ATT Ile	GGC GTy	AGC Ser	ACC Thr 2383 GCG Ala	GAA Glu 7 GGC Gly	TAC Tyr	AAC Asn 2396 AAC Asn	Tyr GTC Val	GCG Alo	AAC Asn 2405 GTG
CAC His CCG Pro	GCT Ala GTG Val	TTC Phe 2360 AAG Lys 2414 GTG	TCC Ser CGC Arg	GTC Val GAC Asp	GTG Val 2369 ACG Thr	GTC Val	AGC Ser AGC Ser 24:	GCC Ala 2378 ATT Ile 34	GGC GIy GGT GIy	AGC Ser CTT Leu 244	ACC Thr 2383 GCG Ala	GAA Glu 7 GGC Gly	TAC Tyr GAC Asp	AAC Asn 2396 AAC Asn	Tyr GTC Val	GCG Alo ACC Thr	AAC Asn 2405 GTG
CAC His CCG Pro	GCT Ala GTG Val TTC Phe	TTC Phe 2360 AAG Lys 2414 GTG Val	TCC Ser CGC Arg	GTC Val GAC Asp 24	GTG Val 2369 ACG Thr 424	GTC Val	AGC Ser AGC Ser 24:	GCC Ala 2378 ATT Ile 34	GGC GIy GGT GIy	AGC Ser CTT Leu 244	ACC Thr 2383 GCG Alo	GAA Glu 7 GGC Gly	TAC Tyr GAC Asp	AAC Asn 2396 AAC Asn	Tyr GTC Val	GCG Alo ACC Thr	AAC Asn 2405 GTG Val

FIG.3E 16/38

2528		2537		2	2546			255 5			2564		;	2573		
	GGC CT															
2582				2	599		26	09		261	9		2629		2	2639
	GTC CC Val Pr			CTC.	TTC	TGGAT	rgca [°]	TG C	GCTC	CGCA	C AG	TGAC	TCAT	CTT	TTGC	CAAC
	2	649		26	58		26	67		26	76		26	85		
AG A	AG GAC Asp	TGG A														
2694	•	2704		27	14		272	4		2734	•	2	744		27	754
> GTT Val	TCAGCO	SATGC	GTGG(CGCT	CA T	GGTC	ATTT	т ст	TGGA	ATCT	TTG	CATA	GGG	CTGC	AGCA	ACG
	2764	}	27	74		278	4		2794	,	2	804		28	14	2824
CTGC	GATACT(TTTC	CCTT	AG C	AGGA	TATT	A TT	TAAT	GACC	CCT	GCGT	ATT	GTGC	TTAG	TT /	AGCTTTACTA
	2834	ļ	28	44		285	4		2864	ļ	2	874		28	84	2894
CTG	STTGTA	TGTA	CGCA	GC A	TGCG	TAAT	T CG	GATA	ATGO	: TAT	CAAT	GTG	TATA	TATT	GA (CACGCGTCAT
	2904	ŀ	29	14		292	4		2934	}	2	944		29	54	2964
GCG	CGATGC	TGAG	TTGC	AA G	GTCG	GTTT	c cc	ATGO	TCGA	CAT	AAAC	GTT	TCAC	TTAC	AT A	ACACATTGGG
	297	,	29	84		299	4		3004	ŀ	3	014		30	24	3034
TCT	AGAACT(GATO	TATC	CA T	GTAI	ACAA	A AA	CTCC	TCAT	r ACA	GCTG	ACT	GGGG	CCCT	CT /	AGAGCATGGG
	304	ļ	30	, 54		306	4		3074	ļ	3	084		30	94	3104
TCO	GAŢŢĠA	T CAG	ATGTO	GC G	SAAC/	CGAG	C C1	CCTC	SAGC	r CG/	AGGAC	TCT	GAGA	AGCG	GC (GTGCGTTCT

FIG.3F 17/38

GCGCGTTGGC CGATTCATTA ATGCAGCTGG CACGACAGGT TTCCCGACTG GAAAGCGGGC AGTGAGCGCA ACGCAATTAA TGTGAGTTAG CTCACTCATT AGGCACCCCA GGCTTTACAC TTTATGCTTC CGGCTCGTAT CTTGTGTGGA ATTGTGAGCG GATAACAATT TCACACAGGA AACACCTATG ACATGATTAC GAATTCCGAT CGGCTTGCCC TCATTCCTCC ATGTTCCCCC GACCGAGCGG GCGCGTCAAT GGCCCGTTTG CGAACACATA TGCAGGATAA ACAGTGCGAA ATATCAATGT GGCGCGACA CAACCTCGCC GGCCGACACT CGACGCTGTT GATCATGATC ATGTCTTGTG AGCATTCTAT ACGCAGCCTT GGAAATCTCA GGCGAATTTG TCTGAATTGC CCTGGGAGGC TGGCAGCGCA GATCGGTGTG TCGGTGCAGT AGCCGACGCA GCACCTGGCG GAAGCCGACA TCTCGGGTAC CACTIGATCT CCGCCAGATC ACTGCGGTTC CGCCATCGGC CGCGGGGCCC ATTCTGTGTG TGCGCTGTAG CACTCTGCAT TCAGGCTCAA CGTATCCATG CTAGAGGACC GTCCAGCTGT TGGCGCACGA TTCGCGCAGA AAGCTGTACA GGCAGATATA AGGATGTCCG TCCGTCAGAG ACTCGTCACT CACAAGCCTC

FIG.4A

710	720	730	74	10	750	760	770
TTTTCCTCTT	CCCCTTTC	CA GCCTC	TTCCA ACC	CCTGCCA	TCGTCCTC	TT AGTTC	GCTCG TCCATTCTTT
780		790	799		808	817	826
CTGCGTAGTT							GCC GTC ATC Ala Val Ile
83	35	844	853		862	871	880
							CTC ACC ATC Leu Thr Ile
88	39	898	907		916	925	934
TCC AAT GO Ser Asn G	GG GAC GTT	TCT CCC Ser Pro	GAC GGC Asp Gly	TTC ACT Phe Thr	CGT GCC Arg Ala	GCA GTG Ala Val	CTT GCA AAC Leu Alo Asn
94	13	952	961		970	980	990
GGC GTC TI						CGTGGCA T	GCGTTCAGT
1000) 10)10	1020	1029	1	038	1047
CTACACCCTA	A CAAGCCT	TCT AACTC	TTTTA CC				ATC AAT GTT Ile Asn Val
1056	1065	5	1074	1083	1	1092	1105
ATC GAC A							GTATGTGCTT
111	5 1	125	1135	1145		1156	1165
CTACTGCTT	C TTAGTCT	TGG CAATG	gctca ag	стстсстс			AC GGC TTC is Gly Phe

FIG.4B 19/38

1174	1	183	1	192		12	201		12	210		12	219
TTC CAG AAG Phe Gin Lys	GGT ACT	AAC T Asn T	GG GCT	GAT Asp	GGA Gly	GCT Ala	GCC Alo	TTC Phe	GTC Val	AAC Asn	CAG GIn	TGC Cys	CCT Pro
1228		1237		1246		1	235		•	264			
ATC GCG ACG													
1281	12	91	130	1	1	1311		13	321		133	31	
GTCAGTGCCT G	TGGCGCT	TA TG1	TTTTCCC	G TA	ATCA(CAG	CTA	ACAC	rcc (CAC	CCAC	AG GG	5
1342		1351		1360		•	1369			1378		1	1387
ACC TTC TGG Thr Phe Trp													
1396		1405		1414		•	1423		,	1432		1	1441
CCG ATG GTC Pro MET Val													
1450		1459		1468			1477			1486		•	1495
GAC GAG ACC Asp Glu Thr													
1504			1519		15	29		153	9	1	549		1559
GGT GCT GCC Gly Ala Ala			GTTTAC	CCCA	CCGC	AC G	GAGT	TAAG	A CC	GATC	TAA	CTGT	AATACG
1568		1577		1586					1	604		16	14
TTCAG G ATT	GGC TCC								GGCC	GCT	TCGC	GGGT(GG

FIG.4C

1624	1633	1642	1651		1669
TGACAG C ACT GAC			GTC GAG CAG GGG Vol Glu Gln Gly		TAGTGATA
1679	1689	1699	1709	1719	1728
CCCTCTACAG TTGAC	CACTGT GCCAT	TGCTG ACA		AC CGT ATG CO	
1737	1746	1755	1764	1773	1782
CTC TCG CTG TCT					
Leu Ser Leu Ser	Cys Asp Pro	Asn Tyr '	Val Phe Ser Ile	Asp Gly His	Asn MET
1791	1800	1809	1818	1827	1836
ACC ATC ATC GAG					
Thr lie lie Gin	Ala Asp Ala	Val Asn I	His Glu Pro Leu	Thr Val Asp	Ser IIe
1845	1854	1863	19	970 190	39 1899
1047	1054	1005	10	879 188	39 1033
CAG ATC TAC GCC	GGC CAA CGT	TAC TCC	TTC GTC GTACGTA		
	GGC CAA CGT	TAC TCC	TTC GTC GTACGTA		
CAG ATC TAC GCC	GGC CAA CGT Gly Gln Arg	TAC TCC	TTC GTC GTACGTA Phe Val	TTC CGAACAGC	
CAG ATC TAC GCC Gin He Tyr Alo 1909	GGC CAA CGT Gly Gln Arg 1919	TAC TCC Tyr Ser	TTC GTC GTACGTA Phe Val	TTC CGAACAGCC	CA TGATCACGCC
CAG ATC TAC GCC Gin He Tyr Alo 1909	GGC CAA CGT Gly Gln Arg 1919	TAC TCC Tyr Ser 1928 TCAG CTT	TTC GTC GTACGTA Phe Val	TTC CGAACAGCC	TGATCACGCC 1955 AAC TAC
CAG ATC TAC GCC Gin lie Tyr Alo 1909 AAGCCCGATG CTAA	GGC CAA CGT Gly Gln Arg 1919 CGCGCC TACCC	TAC TCC Tyr Ser 1928 TCAG CTT	TTC GTC GTACGTA Phe Val 1937 ACC GCT GAC CAG Thr Ala Asp Gin	TTC CGAACAGCC 1946 GAC ATC GAC Asp I le Asp	TGATCACGCC 1955 AAC TAC
CAG ATC TAC GCC GIn lie Tyr Ala 1909 AAGCCCGATG CTAA	GGC CAA CGT Gly Gln Arg 1919 CGCGCC TACCC	TAC TCC Tyr Ser 1928 TCAG CTT Leu 1982	TTC GTC GTACGTA Phe Val 1937 ACC GCT GAC CAG Thr Ala Asp Gin	TTC CGAACAGCO	TGATCACGCC 1955 AAC TAC Asn Tyr 2009
CAG ATC TAC GCC GIN He Tyr Alo 1909 AAGCCCGATG CTAA 1964 TTC ATC CGT GCC	GGC CAA CGT Gly Gln Arg 1919 CGCGCC TACCC 1973 CTG CCC AGC	TAC TCC Tyr Ser 1928 TCAG CTT Leu 1982 GCC GGT	TTC GTC GTACGTA Phe Val 1937 ACC GCT GAC CAG Thr Ala Asp Gln	TTC CGAACAGCC 1946 GAC ATC GAC Asp I le Asp 2000 GAC GGC GGC	TGATCACGCC 1955 AAC TAC Asn Tyr 2009 ATC AAC
CAG ATC TAC GCC GIN lie Tyr Alo 1909 AAGCCCGATG CTAA 1964 TTC ATC CGT GCC Phe lie Arg Alo	GGC CAA CGT Gly Gln Arg 1919 CGCGCC TACCC 1973 CTG CCC AGC Leu Pro Ser	TAC TCC Tyr Ser 1928 TCAG CTT Leu 1982 GCC GGT	TTC GTC GTACGTA Phe Vol 1937 ACC GCT GAC CAG Thr Ala Asp GIn 1991 ACC ACC TCG TTC Thr Thr Ser Phe	TTC CGAACAGCC 1946 GAC ATC GAC Asp I le Asp 2000 GAC GGC GGC Asp Gly Gly	TGATCACGCC 1955 AAC TAC Asn Tyr 2009 ATC AAC
CAG ATC TAC GCC Gin lie Tyr Alo 1909 AAGCCCGATG CTAA 1964 TTC ATC CGT GCC Phe lie Arg Alo 2018	GGC CAA CGT Gly Gln Arg 1919 CGCGCC TACCC 1973 CTG CCC AGC Leu Pro Ser 2027	TAC TCC Tyr Ser 1928 TCAG CTT Leu 1982 GCC GGT Ala Gly 2036	TTC GTC GTACGTA Phe Vol 1937 ACC GCT GAC CAG Thr Ala Asp GIn 1991 ACC ACC TCG TTC Thr Thr Ser Phe	TTC CGAACAGCC 1946 GAC ATC GAC Asp Ile Asp 2000 GAC GGC GGC Asp Gly Gly 2054	TGATCACGCC 1955 AAC TAC Asn Tyr 2009 ATC AAC 11e Asn 2063

FIG.4D

207	72		208	31		209	90		209	9		210)8		211	17	
															GAC Asp		
	2128	6	2	136		214	1 6		2156	6	2	2166		2	176		
	GCT Ala	GTA	CTC	STA 1	TTCTC	CCC	IT GO	CAAGO	GATCO	G CA(CATA(CTAA	CATO	CTC	TTG		CCC Pro
2185		:	2194		2	2203		:	2212		. :	2221		:	2230		
															TTC		
Gly	Asp	Pro	Asn	He	Gly	Gly	Val	Asp	Tyr	Ala	Leu	Asn	Leu	Asp	Phe	Asn	Phe
2239			2248		:	2257		;	2266		:	2275			2284		
															ACG		
Asp	Gly	Thr	Asn	Phe	Phe	He	Asn	Asp	Val	Ser	Phe	Val	Ser	Pro	Thr	Val	Pro
2293		•	2302			2311		;	2320		;	2329			2338		
GTC	CTC	CTC	CAG	ATT	CTT	AGC	GGC	ACC	ACC	TCC	GCG	GCC	GAC	CTT	CTC	$\overline{\text{ccc}}$	AGC
Val	Leu	Leu	Gin	He	Leu	Ser	Gly	Thr	Thr	Ser	Ala	Ala	Asp	Leu	Leu	Pro	Ser
2347			2356			2365			2374		;	2383			2392		
GGT	AGT	CTC	TTC	GCG	GTC	CCG	TCC	AAC	TCG	ACG	ATC	GAG	ATC	TCG	TTC	\overline{ccc}	ATC
Gly	Ser	Leu	Phe	Ala	Val	Pro	Ser	Asn	Ser	Thr	He	Glu	He	Ser	Phe	Pro	lle
2401			2410			2419			2428			2437			2446		2456
ACC	GCG	ACG	AAC	GCT	ccc	GGC	GCG	CCC	CAT	CCC	TTC	CAC	TTG	CAC	GGT	GTA	CGTGTCC
Thr	Ala	Thr	Asn	Alo	Pro	Gly	Ala	Pro	His	Pro	Phe	His	Leu	His	Gly		
	2	466		24	76		248	6		2496			25	06		25	15
CAT	CTCA	TAT	GCŢA	CGGA	GC T	CCAC	GCTG	A CC	GCCC	TATA					CT A		

FIG.4E

2524	2533	2542	2551	2560	2569
CGT ACC GCC C	GC AGC ACG GAT	ACG AAC TTC	GTC AAC CCC	GTC CGC CGC	GAC GTC
Arg Thr Ala (Sly Ser Thr Asp	Thr Asn Phe	Val Asn Pro	Val Arg Arg	Asp Val
2578	2587	2596	2605	2614	2624
	GGT ACC GTC GGC Gly Thr Val Gly				CGCAGCA
2634	2644	2654	2664 2	673 2	682
CTCTCCTAAC A	TTCCCACTG CGCGA	TCACT GACTCC		ACT GAC AAC Thr Asp Asn	
2691	2700	2709	2718	2727	2736
CCC TGG TTC Pro Trp Phe	CTC CAC TGC CAC Leu His Cys His	ATC GAC TTC	CAC TTG GAG His Leu Glu	GCC GGT TTC Ala Gly Phe	GCC ATC Ala lle
2745	2754	2763	2772	2781	2798
GTC TTC AGC Val Phe Ser	GAG GAC ACC GCC	GAC GTC TCG Asp Val Ser	AAC ACG ACC	ACG CCC TCG	A GTACGTTGTG
2808	2818	2828	2838	2850	2859
CTCCCGTGCC C	ATCTCCGCG CGCC	IGACTA ACGAGO	ACCC CTTACAG	CT GCT TGG Ala Trp	
2868	2877	2886	2895	2908	2918
	ACG TAC AAC GC Thr Tyr Asn Ale				AAAGGGTCGC
2928	2938	2948	2958 2	968 29	78 2988
TCGCTACCTT A	GTAGGTAGA CTTA	TGCACC GGACAT	TATC TACAATO	GAC TTTAATTT	GG GTTAACGGCC
2998	3008	3018	3028 2	2038 30	3058
GTTATACATA C	CCCCACCTA CTATA	AAAGGT TCTCTC	GATT GGTCGG/	ACCT ACAGACTO	SCA ATTTTCGTGA
3068	3078	3088	8098		
CCTATCAACT (STATATTGAA GCAC	FIG. 23/3	4F		

10	20	30	40	50	60	70
CTCATAACTC 1	TTCGCTTCTA	GCATGGGGGC	TGCGCACACC	TGACAGACCC	TTCGGGAGGC	GAACTCGAAT
80 GCAGCGTACT (90 CTATCNCACC	100 TCCAGGAAAG	110 GTAGGGATGG	120 ACNCCGTGCA	130 CCAACAACTG	140 TCTCTCCACC
150	160	170	180	190	200	210
AGCAACCATC (CCTTGGATAT	GTCTCCACAC	ACCCGGTGTC	TACAAGCGGG	GATCTGTGCT	CGTGAAGTGC
220	230	240	250	260	270	280
TGTCTCCGGA (CCCCCCCCCC	CGAGCGACCA	GAACCCGAAC	CAGTGCTAGT	GCCCGACACC	CGCGAGA <u>CAA</u>
290	300	310	320	330	340	350
TTGTGCAGGG	TGAGTTATAT	TCTTCGTGAG	ACGGCGCTGC	GCGTCGGCAC	TGAAAGCGTC	GCAGTTAGGT
360	370	380	390	400	410	420
GATGCAGCGG '	TCCGCGCTAT	TTTTGACGTC	TGGCAGCTAT	CCTAAGCCGC	GCCTCCATAC	ACCCCAGGCG
430	440	450	460	470	480	490
CTCTCGTTTG	CTATAGG <u>TAT</u>	AAATCCCTCA	GCTTCAGAGC	GTCGATCCTC	ATCCCACACG	ACACCCGTTT
500	510	520	530	540	55	50
CAGTCTTCTC (GTAGCGCATT	CCCTAGCCGC	CCAGCCTCCG	CTTTCGTTTT	CAAC ATG GO	
559	568	577	586	59:	5 60)4
					G AGC GGT CC u Ser Gly Ar	
613	622	631	640	649	9 65	58
TTC GGC GCC Phe Gly Alo	••••				GCC GAT GT	

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667	676	685	694	703	712	
			CTC GCG GGC GG Leu Ala Gly Gl			
721	730	743	753	763	773	783
CTC ATT ACC Leu lie Thr			AAACCTTCTA CTAG	CGCGCT CGTA	CGGTGC ACCGTT	ACTG
793	803	814	823	832	841	
AAGCCACACT	TTGCGCTGTC A		GAA TTC CAG AT Glu Phe Gln II			
850	859	868	877	887	897	
		TTG AAG TCG Leu Lys Ser	ACC ACA ATC GT	AAGGTGCT TG	CTCCCATA	
907	917	927	938	947	956	
			TAG CAC TGG CAT		C CAG GCC	
	TCGCTGACTC G	AAGTTTATC TG	TAG CAC TGG CAT His Trp His	GGT ATC TT	C CAG GCC	
ATTAAGCCCG 965 GGC ACC AAC	TCGCTGACTC G 974 TGG GCA GAC	AAGTTTATC TG 983	TAG CAC TGG CAT His Trp His	GGT ATC TT Gly Ile Ph 1001 G TGC CCT A	C CAG GCC e GIn Ala 1010 TC GCC ACG	
ATTAAGCCCG 965 GGC ACC AAC	TCGCTGACTC G 974 TGG GCA GAC Trp Ala Asp	983 GGC GCG GCC Gly Ala Ala	His Trp His 992 TTC GTG AAC CA	GGT ATC TT Gly Ile Ph 1001 G TGC CCT A	C CAG GCC e GIn Ala 1010 TC GCC ACG	·
965 GGC ACC AAC Gly Thr Asn 1019 GGA AAC TCG	TCGCTGACTC G 974 TGG GCA GAC Trp Ala Asp 1028 TTC TTG TAC	983 GGC GCG GCC GIY Ala Ala 1037 GAC TTC ACC	His Trp His 992 TTC GTG AAC CA	GGT ATC TT Gly IIe Ph 1001 G TGC CCT A n Cys Pro I	C CAG GCC e GIn Ala 1010 TC GCC ACG le Ala Thr	
965 GGC ACC AAC Gly Thr Asn 1019 GGA AAC TCG	TCGCTGACTC G 974 TGG GCA GAC Trp Ala Asp 1028 TTC TTG TAC	983 GGC GCG GCC GIY Ala Ala 1037 GAC TTC ACC	HIS TOP HIS 992 TTC GTG AAC CA Phe Vol Asn GI	GGT ATC TT Gly IIe Ph 1001 G TGC CCT A n Cys Pro I	C CAG GCC e GIn Ala 1010 TC GCC ACG le Ala Thr 1063	

FIG.5B

1130	•	139	1148	1157	1166	1175
					GGT CCT CTT	
Ser His L	eu Ser	Thr Gln	Tyr Cys Asp	Gly Leu Arg	Gly Pro Leu	Val Val Tyr
1184		1193	1202	1211	1220	1231
GAC CCC G	AC GAT	CCC AAC	GCG TCT CTT	TAC GAC GTC	GAT GAC G	GTAAGCAGGC
Asp Pro A	sp Asp	Pro Asn	Ala Ser Lei	Tyr Asp Vol	Asp Asp Asp	
124	1	1251	1261	1271	1281	1290
TACTTGTGG	A CTTG	TATGGA TO	GTATCTCAC GO	CTCCCCTAC AG	AT ACT ACG GT Thr Thr Vo	I All ACG at Ite Thr
12	.99	1308	1317	7 1326	1335	1347
CTT GCG C	AC TGG	TAC CAC	ACT GCG GCC	AAG CTG GGC	CCT GCC TTC	CC GTGAGTCTAC
					Pro Ala Phe	
4.78			(777	4 707	4 707	4.400
135)/	1367	1377	1387	1397	1408
					GCTACCA G C	
TCTTCCTC	ST GTGT		GGTGACGGC CO	SCTGATACG AGA	gctacca g c g	GCG GGT CCG Ala Gly Pro
TCTTCCTCC	ST GTGT	1426	GGTGACGGC CC	GCTGATACG AGA	GCTACCA G C G	GCG GGT CCG Ala Gly Pro 1462
TCTTCCTCC	ST GTGT	TAACAT A 1426 ATC AAT	GGTGACGGC CO	SCTGATACG AGA 1444 CGG TTC TCC	gctacca g c d	GCG GGT CCG Ala Gly Pro 1462 GGA GGA GCG
TCTTCCTCC 14 GAT AGC (Asp Ser)	ST GTGT	TAACAT A 1426 ATC AAT	GGTGACGGC CO	SCTGATACG AGA 1444 CGG TTC TCC	GCTACCA G C G 1453 GGC GAT GGT Gly Asp Gly	GCG GGT CCG Ala Gly Pro 1462 GGA GGA GCG
TCTTCCTCC 14 GAT AGC (Asp Ser)	ST GTGT H17 STC TTG /al Leu	1426 ATC AAT Lie Asn 1480	GGTGACGGC CG 143: GGT CTT GG Gly Leu Gl	GCTGATACG AGA 1444 T CGG TTC TCC Y Arg Phe Ser	GCTACCA G C G 1453 GGC GAT GGT Gly Asp Gly 15	GCG GGT CCG Ala Gly Pro 1462 GGA GGA GCG Gly Gly Ala 510 1520
TCTTCCTCC 14 GAT AGC (Asp Ser) 14 ACA AAC (ST GTGT 117 GTC TTG /al Leu 171 GTC ACC	1426 ATC AAT I le Asn 1480 GTG ATC	GGTGACGCC CO	GCTGATACG AGA 1444 T CGG TTC TCC Y Arg Phe Ser	GCTACCA G C G 1453 GGC GAT GGT Gly Asp Gly 15 GG GTGAGTCC	GCG GGT CCG Ala Gly Pro 1462 GGA GGA GCG Gly Gly Ala
TCTTCCTCC 14 GAT AGC (Asp Ser) 14 ACA AAC (ST GTGT 117 GTC TTG /al Leu 171 CTC ACC Leu Thr	1426 ATC AAT I le Asn 1480 GTG ATC	GGTGACGCC CO	GCTGATACG AGA 1444 1 CGG TTC TCC 1498 1498 1498	GCTACCA G C G 1453 GGC GAT GGT Gly Asp Gly 15 GG GTGAGTCC	GCG GGT CCG Ala Gly Pro 1462 GGA GGA GCG Gly Gly Ala 510 1520

FIG.5C

1588	3	1597	1606	1	615	1624	1633
ATC TCG TCG	GAC CCC	AAC TTC	ACG TTC	TCG ATC	GAC GGG	CAC AAC	ATG ACC ATC
He Ser Cy	Asp Pro	Asn Phe	Thr Phe	Ser Ile	Asp Gly	His Asn	MET Thr Ile
1643	2	1651	1660	1	1669	1678	1687
ATC GAG GTO	GAC GGT	GTC AAC	CAC GAG	GCC TTG	GAC GTC	GAC TCC	ATT CAG ATT
lle Glu Vo	Asp Gly	Val Asn	His Glu	Ala Leu	Asp Val	Asp Ser	lle Gin Ile
169	5	1705	1714	17	724	1734	1744
TTT GCG GG	CAG CGG	TAC TCC	$\overline{\text{TTC}}$ $\overline{\text{ATC}}$	GTACGTTO	CCC TTGCC	CTCGT GC	CTATATCCG
Phe Ala GI							
1754	. 17	64	1774	•	1785	1794	1803
CCCGTCTGCT	CACAGAGG	CT TCTAT	ATCGC AG	$\overline{\text{CTC}}$ $\overline{\text{AAC}}$	GCC AAC	CAG TCC	ATC GAC AAC
				Leu Asn	Ala Asn	Gin Ser	lle Asp Asn
181	2	1821	1830		1839	1848	1857
TAC TOC AT		777 774					OTO 000 OTO
TAC TOG AT	, W 1000	AIC CCC	AAL ALL	GGT ACC	ACC GAC	ACC ACG	GGC GGC GTG
							Gly Gly Val
	e Arg Alo			Gly Thr			
Tyr Trp 11 186 AAC TCT GC	e Arg Ala 6 T ATT CTT	1875 CGC TAC	Asn Thr 1884 GAC ACC	Gly Thr	Thr Asp 1893 GAT ATC	Thr Thr 1902 GAG CCT	Gly Gly Val 1911 ACG ACC AAC
Tyr Trp 11 186 AAC TCT GC	e Arg Ala 6 T ATT CTT	1875 CGC TAC	Asn Thr 1884 GAC ACC	Gly Thr	Thr Asp 1893 GAT ATC	Thr Thr 1902 GAG CCT	1911
Tyr Trp 11 186 AAC TCT GC	e Arg Ala 6 T ATT CTT a lie Leu	1875 CGC TAC	Asn Thr 1884 GAC ACC	GCA GAA Ala Glu	Thr Asp 1893 GAT ATC	Thr Thr 1902 GAG CCT	Gly Gly Val 1911 ACG ACC AAC
Tyr Trp II 186 AAC TCT GC Asn Ser AI 192	e Arg Ala	1875 CGC TAC Arg Tyr 1929	Asn Thr 1884 GAC ACC Asp Thr 1938	GCA GAA Ala Glu	Thr Asp 1893 GAT ATC Asp Ile 1947	Thr Thr 1902 GAG CCT Glu Pro 1956	1911 ACG ACC AAC Thr Thr Asn
Tyr Trp 11 186 AAC TCT GC Asn Ser A1 192 GCG ACC AC	e Arg Ala T ATT CTT a lie Leu C TCC GTC	1875 CGC TAC Arg Tyr 1929 ATC CCT	Asn Thr 1884 GAC ACC Asp Thr 1938 CTC ACC	GCA GAA Ala Glu GAG ACG	Thr Asp 1893 GAT ATC Asp Ile 1947 GAT CTG	Thr Thr 1902 GAG CCT GIu Pro 1956 GTG CCG	1911 ACG ACC AAC Thr Thr Asn 1965
Tyr Trp 11 186 AAC TCT GC Asn Ser A1 192 GCG ACC AC	e Arg Ala T ATT CTT T IIe Leu T TCC GTC T Ser Val	1875 CGC TAC Arg Tyr 1929 ATC CCT	Asn Thr 1884 GAC ACC Asp Thr 1938 CTC ACC	GCA GAA Ala Glu GAG ACG Glu Thr	Thr Asp 1893 GAT ATC Asp Ile 1947 GAT CTG	Thr Thr 1902 GAG CCT GIu Pro 1956 GTG CCG	1911 ACG ACC AAC Thr Thr Asn 1965 CTC GAC AAC
Tyr Trp 11 186 AAC TCT GC Asn Ser A1 192 GCG ACC AC A1a Thr Th	e Arg Ala T ATT CTT a lie Leu C TCC GTC r Ser Val	1875 CGC TAC Arg Tyr 1929 ATC CCT Ile Pro	Asn Thr 1884 GAC ACC Asp Thr 1938 CTC ACC Leu Thr 1992	GCA GAA Ala Glu GAG ACG Glu Thr	Thr Asp 1893 GAT ATC Asp I le 1947 GAT CTG Asp Leu 2001	Thr Thr 1902 GAG CCT Glu Pro 1956 GTG CCG Vol Pro 2010	1911 ACG ACC AAC Thr Thr Asn 1965 CTC GAC AAC Leu Asp Asn

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2028		2041	20	51	2061	. 2	071	2081
GAC TTC TCC Asp Phe Ser		AGTCCCA	CAGGACT	CCG CG	CCATTTC	CTTATT	TACG C	AGGAGTATT
2090	20	099	2108		2117	2	126	2135
GTTCAG AAC (G CCC ACA o Pro Thr
2144	:	2153	216	2	2171		2180	2189
GTT CCC GTG Val Pro Val								
2198		2207	221	6	2225		2234	2243
CCC AAC GGG Pro Asn Gly								
2252	:	2261	227	0	2279		2288	2297
CCC ATC ATC Pro lle lle								
2306		2319	2	329	2339)	2349	2359
CAT CTC CAC His Leu His		AGTCCTT	GCTTTCC	TCA GT	GCCTCGC	TCCACG	ACGT C	CACTGATCC
2369		2380	238	9	2398		2407	2416
CACACATCCC	ATGTGCAG							GC TCG ACC er Ser Thr
2425	:	2434	244	3	2452		2461	2470
TTC AAC TAC Phe Asn Tyr								

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2479	2488	2504	2514	2524	2534
	ACT ATC CGC Thr Ile Arg		CGTCTTC TCCGC	GAGCCC TCCCA	CCCGT GTGTCCGCTG
2544	2554	2564	2574	2583	2592
AGCGCTGAAC ACCGCCCACC GTGCTGCTGC TGCGCAG ACC GAC AAC CCA GGC CCG TGG Thr Asp Asn Pro Gly Pro Trp					
260	2610	2619	2628	2637	2646
	TGC CAC ATO				
265	5 . 2664	2673	2682		2699
	C ACT GCG GAC				
2709	2710	2729	2739	2749	2759
CCTGCTGAGC	TCTTTGTGCC C	CAACAGGGT GO	TGATCGTC CCT	TCCTCCG TGCA	G CG GCG TGG Ala Trp
2768	2777	2786	2795	2804	2817
	G TGC CCC ACT				
2827	2837	2847	2857	2867	2877 2887
GGCATGAAGG	CTGAAGCAGC 1	GCGGTCAAT TO	CTCGAACAC ACT	TTACTCG AACA	TTCATT TTTCTTTGGC
2897	2907	2917			
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FIG.5F

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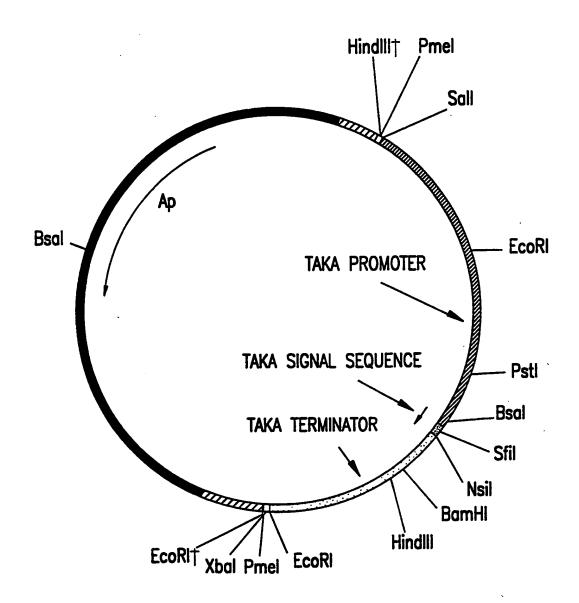


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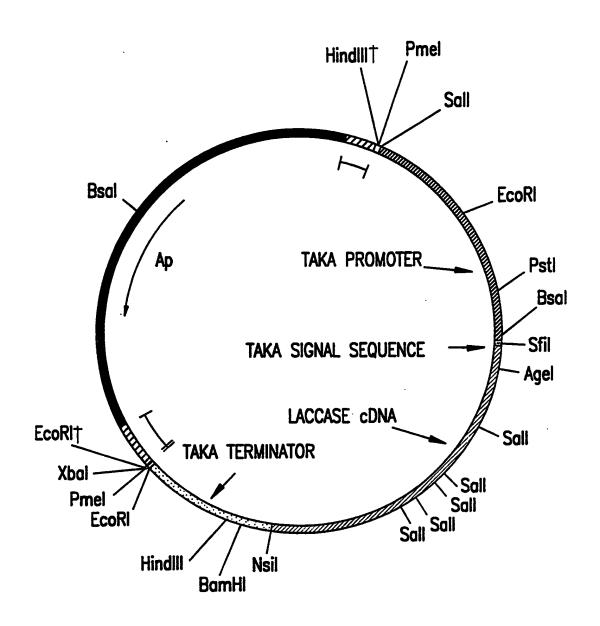


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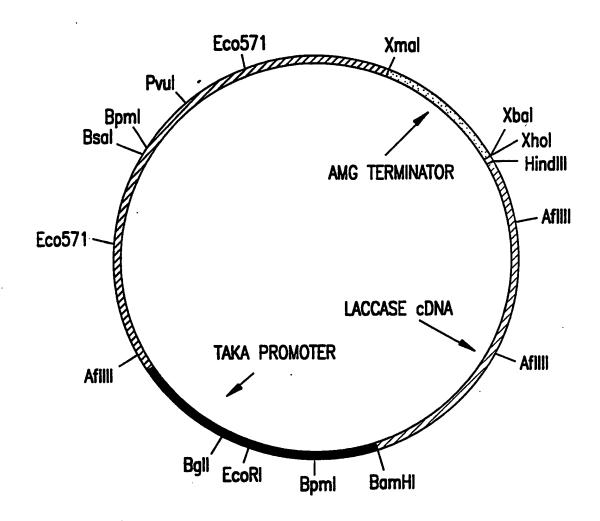
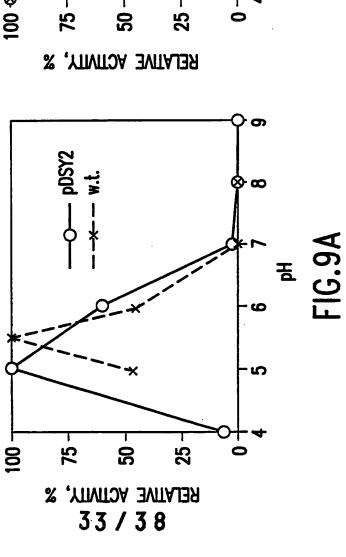
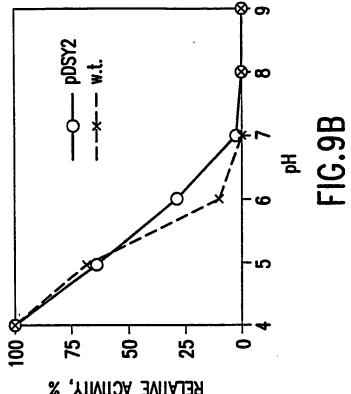
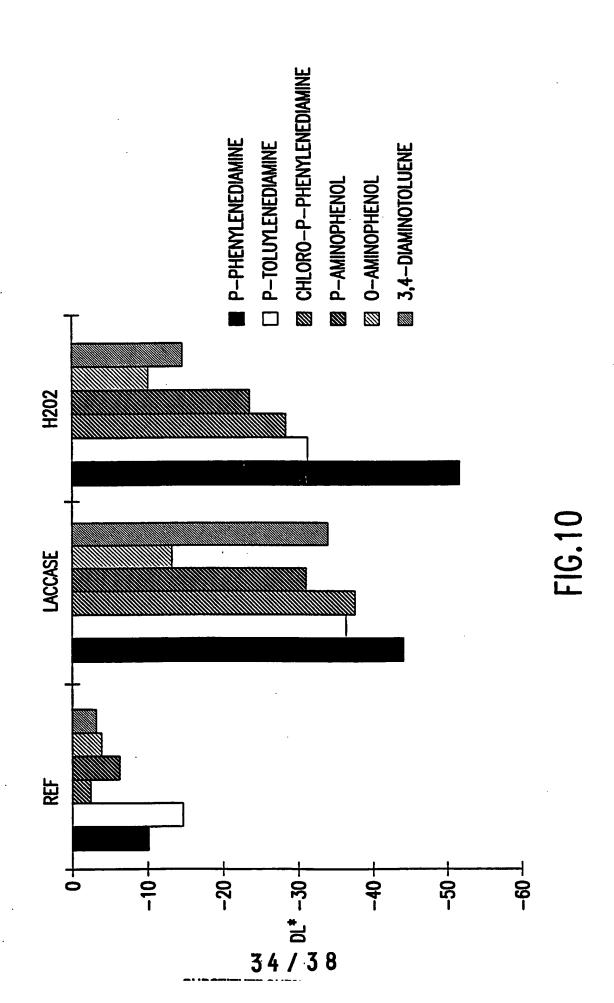


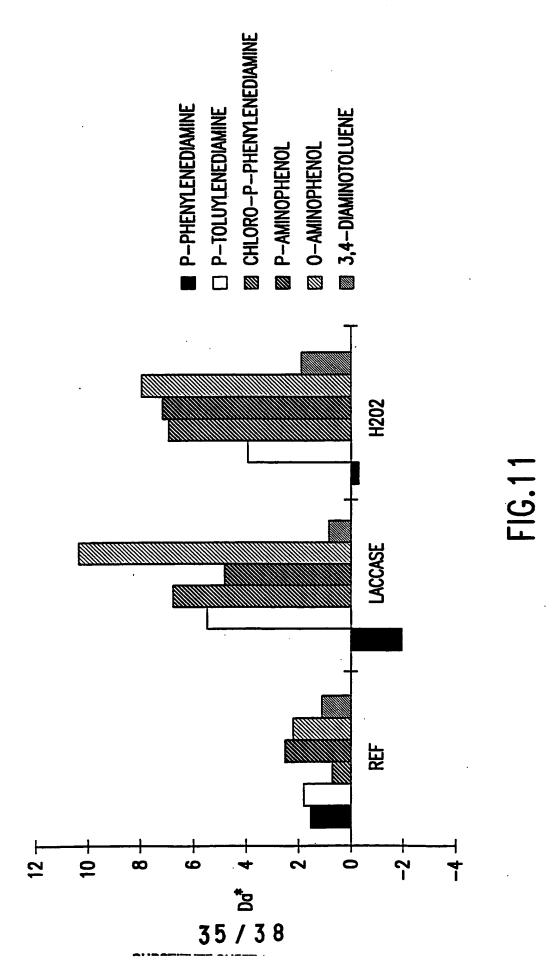
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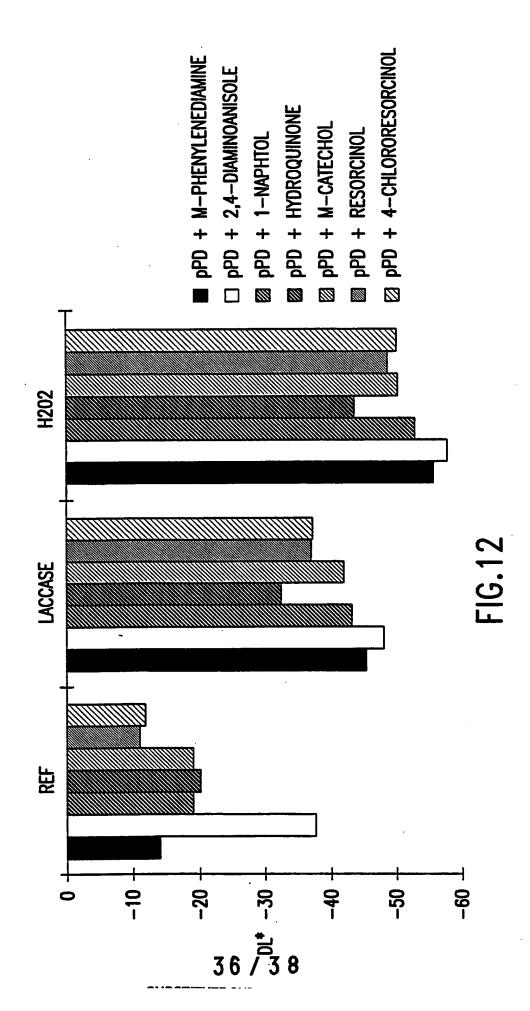


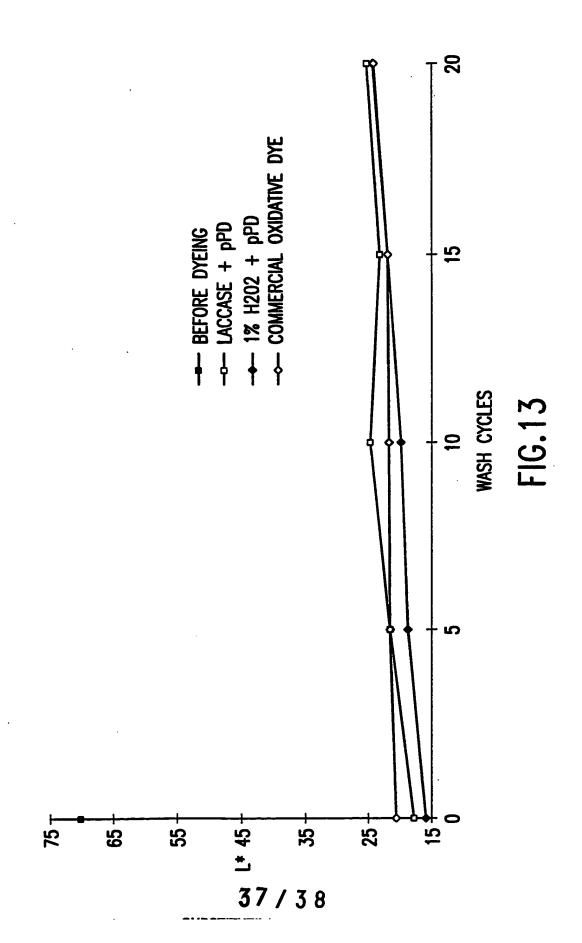


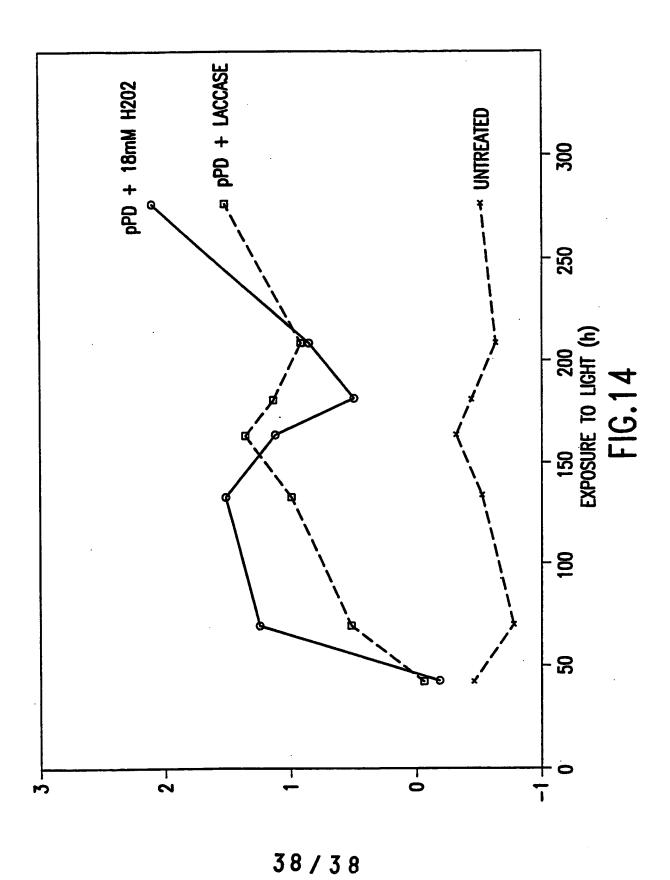
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